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## LOCAL NEWS.

THE campaign of 1896 will soon be in full swing The ramblings have commenced

JOHN RAMEY is moving onto an eighty acre farm near Elwin He will manage the place and expects to make his home there this summer

LAST evening the fortieth marriage anniversary of Mr and Mrs W. I Rinker will be celebrated at their home on West Macon street

THE Wabash earnings for the first week in February amounted to $20162, an increase of $12 46 over the corresponding week last year

THE Moweaqua & Wells Co expect to open their new store in about three weeks They are now moving their stock into the new building

THERE will be 115 delegates in the Republican state convention to be held at Springfield on April 21 Macon county will have 15 delegates in the convention

MRS NORA BROWN died of consumption Feb 9 at her home No 300 North Jackson street aged 21 years She was a widow and leaves one child The time of the funeral will be announced later

THE young people of the M E church at Mt Zion have received their library from Chicago and will soon have the books numbered and ready for use The books are carefully selected and contain the cream of English literature

THE Wabash railroad has commenced suit in the circuit court at Alton against the C & A for $30 000 damages growing out of a collision at Jacksonville in January 1895, when the Wabash ran into a C & A train standing on the siding

### Markets are Quiet

The local grain markets are quiet, and there has been little change in prices during the past week On account of the bad roads the farmers are unable to deliver much grain The following prices are quoted by the Shellabarger Mill and Elevator Co Wheat, 65c, white corn 26c mixed corn, 25c white oats, 17c mixed oats, 16c rye 30c

The live stock market is also quiet and very little live stock is sold by the farmers There has been no change except in the price of hogs which ranges from $4 40 to $4 50 The hogs offered by the farmers are of a fair quality

Eggs are plentiful and bring 11c per dozen More chickens were brought to market by the farmers this week than last but the prices are about the same Max Adler quotes the following Hens 6c stags and roosters 4c turkeys 10c gobblers 9c ducks 7c geese 4c

Good country butter brings from 12c to 15c per pound according to the quality Green hides sell for 1½c per pound and tallow at 3½c per pound

### Has Bought the Cairo Short Line

It is stated on high authority that the Illinois Central Railroad Company on Saturday took possession of the Cairo Short line by purchase, after negotiations which have been carried on in New York for nearly a year By this purchase the Illinois Central has a direct line from Dupuion into St Louis over its own rails The Cairo is made up of six consolidated roads in southern Illinois varying in length from fourteen to fifty six miles each with a total mileage of 330 It is a very important and powerful addition to the Illinois Central system

### Burial at the Poor Farm

The remains of Frank Malley the man who died at the police station Monday night were buried at the poor farm this afternoon The morning Coroner Bendure made an examination of the house on North Park street where Malley had his home There was nothing in the place but a mattress a stove and a few other pieces of furniture and the man had evidently lived a miserable life He was 43 years of age

### Died Near Boiesdale

William H Shrum, a veteran of the late war died last night near Boiesdale He served in the war as a member of Co I, 100th Ohio Infantry and was a member of A L Post, 160 G A R, at Crab Orchard Neb The members of Dunham Post this city will attend Comrade Shrum's funeral on Thursday at 10 a m

### Will Be Married in June

A Chicago paper states that the date set for the wedding of Miss Delicate Oglesby and Sanger Pullman is June 10 Miss Oglesby is quite well known here and has many friends in the city

### Circuit Court

The $5,000 damage case of Bates vs City of Decatur is still in progress in the circuit court It is the only matter which has received consideration to day

### A Surgical Operation

This morning Dr W M Litto performed a surgical operation on Mrs Henry Berry, of Taylorville He removed an internal abscess

THE Fulton Bros, of Mason City, are shipping hay from Missouri.

# JUDGE LYNCH.

### Grant Atterberry Hanged to a Tree at Sullivan by a Mob of Masked Men

### TAKEN FROM THE JAIL AT MIDNIGHT.

### Atterberry Prayed in Vain for Mercy—Left Hanging Six Hours—Execution Generally Approved by the People

SULLIVAN, Ill, Feb 12 (Special to the REPUBLICAN) This morning at one o'clock Grant Atterberry, charged with having made the diabolical criminal assault upon his sister in law, Mrs Roxy Atterberry on the night of January 23, was taken from the body of the Moultrie county jail by fifteen to twenty masked men and hanged to a tree in the court house yard, opposite the Eden House The man was strung up in the presence of about seventy five people including the hotel guests who were awakened by the firing of pistols and guns and came down from the rooms partly dressed to view the uncanny scene through the front windows Atterberry as the noose was placed about his neck and one end of the rope thrown over a limb of the tree, realizing that he had to die, cried out in agony, "God have mercy on my soul!" at the same time protesting his innocence He struggled desperately with the evident hope of escape, but he was firmly held by two strong men who clung to him and did not release him until the rope had tightened Atterberry died of strangulation

### Taken by Surprise

Sheriff Lansden was taken by surprise He had no extra guards at the jail This fact was known to the party of determined men who had planned to hang Atterberry They were not to be scared off Only the active participators in the planned work of the night were in the secret, and the sheriff and his family were asleep when the mob arrived at the jail with sledge hammers and all armed to the teeth The march of the men was steady and unbroken The school house was the meeting place for the lynchers Sheriff Lansden, who was awakened, refused to give up the prisoner on demand and immediately a rush was made for the door which was broken in The sheriff had fired a weapon into the air but instantly he was overpowered while several of the lynchers went into the jail and dragged Atterberry in his night clothes from his bed There was no delay, no parley, and no hearkening to the pleadings of the doomed man for mercy

### Dragged to the Tree

The victim of the mobs vengeance was hurried straight to the tree in the court house yard On the way there was a fusillade of pistol and gun shots which was kept up even while the man was strung up

In a surprisingly short time hundreds of people gathered at the court house, some of the earliest arrivals making an effort to assist in the hanging but the masked men refused to allow any body to have a hand in the lynching except themselves Evidently they were thinking about the possibility of vigorous grand jury investigation

In the darkness after Atterberry was strung up people struck matches and held up torches and lanterns to have a good look at the lifeless form of the man as it hung so still from the end of the rope People kept coming and going until long after daybreak and in the throng were many women and children

### Cut Down

Along about 7 30 o'clock an officer came up and cut down the body It was taken into the court house where curious people gathered to look at the form, and where men and boys endeavored to get pieces of the rope to be preserved as souvenirs of the lynching

### The Sentiment

While there was considerable excitement on the streets of the town, the general sentiment of the Sullivan people is that Atterberry received just what he deserved It is generally believed that he was guilty of the crime charged against him, and it is further believed that Mrs Roxy Atterberry knew that he was one of the men who assaulted her that awful night

A few days ago the wife of Grant Atterberry attempted to kidnap the younger son of Mrs Roxy Atterberry That incident served to inflame the people although all criminal intent was stoutly denied and believed by some The woman asserted that she simply asked the child to go with her up town to get some candy

All business is practically suspended to day, and the subject of the crime with the lynching particulars is on every tongue

The people stand about the court house and in customary places of resort wondering what the authorities will attempt to do and what will happen next as a sequel to the murder of David Atterberry near Moweaqua in November, 1894, and the criminal outrage upon Roxy the wife of Ed Atterberry who is still an insane patient at the state asylum at Kankakee

Many people in the community sincerely regret the lynching of the man, believing that the law would have inflicted just punishment. They do not excuse Atterberry's crime They deplore the lynching and its effect on the town and county

Atterberry was thinly clad as he was dragged from the jail He had on a pair of pants but no coat, and he was without shoes He had on his stockings

### Another Account

SULLIVAN, Feb 12 —(Special to REPUBLICAN)—After several attempts to lynch Grant Atterberry, the man who committed the horrible crime not long ago in this vicinity, they finally succeeded About 12 30 last night a masked mob forced their way into the jail and secured the prisoner He was in bed but they dragged him forth and led him, despite his entreaties, to the court house yard where he was hanged to the first tree Great excitement prevailed Several hundred persons were in the streets and the exultant cries of the mob, intermingled by pistol shots gave added horror to the scene

Information about the matter is very vague yet this morning, and no persons have been identified

It was hoped by some that the Atterberry confession might give some clew to the other person, but to the last he kept saying, "I am Innocent God witch the guilty ones He begged and seemed trying to make his escape, but they held him securely, and now he awaits the coroner's inquest

### Sentiment at Sullivan

SULLIVAN, Feb 12, 1 30 p m —(Special to REPUBLICAN) — The generally expressed opinion heard on every hand this morning in regard to the lynching of Grant Atterberry is that he fully deserved it, and the remark is openly made that even were he not guilty of this crime, a mob would make no mistake in hanging him on general principles, but there is scarcely a question in the mind of any one but that he was guilty and had paid the just penalty for his crime The body was left hanging all night and was cut down and taken into the sheriff's office in the court house where the inquest is now being held He is terribly bruised and battered up, having made a desperate fight for his life The verdict of the jury has not yet been reached at this time Full particulars of future action cannot be determined now

### Story of The Crime

Below is the story of the crime published in the REPUBLICAN in a telegram

SULLIVAN, Ill, Jan 25 —The excitement over the assault committed upon the person of Mrs Roxy Atterberry Thursday night is intense The crime was committed somewhere near the hour of midnight, as near as can be ascertained The lady lives alone with her four children, four boys, ranging in age from 4 to 10 years During the night she got up and started to the kitchen for a drink of water The kitchen is across a little porch from the main part of the house and as she opened the door she was seized by two men, who bound her hands with a heavy rope, gagged her with cotton and threw a handkerchief over her face Both then assaulted her, and as nearly as can be determined were there about an hour When they left one of them cursed her and said he now had his revenge

The poor woman was helpless, but managed to roll back to the sitting room, and aroused her sleeping children by kicking against the door The oldest boy came out and stumbled over the prostrate form of his mother He asked her if she was sick, and she could only answer by a moan Without making a light he ran for a next door neighbor Doug Cochran, who, when he came thought the woman had the toothache with which she is frequently subject, by seeing the handkerchief and some cotton When he attempted to lift her up he found her hands were bound, and then took in the situation As soon as she could speak she told of the assault, and the alarm was immediately given and telegrams sent all over the country A physician was called Aside from the nervous shock and injury to her hands and face by being tied, she is not hurt

A telegram was sent to Paris for blood hounds The tracks made by the men were covered and guarded, and the city through Mayor A K Campbell, offered a reward of $300 for the arrest of the men Postmaster Eden then took a handcar to Mattoon to make a Big Four train for Paris but when he reached there found the dogs in that city were too young to follow such an old scent He then went on to Noblesville, Ind, and arrived here at 5 10 this morning with the bloodhounds and their owners

### ARRESTED

They were taken to Mrs Atterberry's house smelled the sticks, rope and handkerchief and started out on the trail yelping followed by a thousand men, they made a straight track to the house of Grant Atterberry, a brother in law of the woman He was suspected from the first by the family on account of a family feud of several years standing It will be remembered that Grant Atterberry was charged nearly five years ago with the murder of his father near Moweaqua While in jail Ed Atterberry the lady's husband, lost his mind and is now in the asylum at Kankakee During this time a child was born irregularly to Mrs Grant Atterberry and the other lady refused to associate with her This caused the grudge, and the man when he left the house Thursday night said in no delicate language that she should now find herself in the same condition Grant Atterbury defied the crowd and threatened to shoot any man or dog who came into the yard He started out with a bucket to milk his cow, was followed by the crowd and arrested at the barn, making no show of resistance, and is now closely guarded in the jail Two revolvers were taken from him when arrested

There were two separate attempts made to mob Atterberry, but each time Sheriff Lansden and his deputies prevented the threatened lynching Finally Atterberry was taken out of the jail secretly, walked to Bethany and there put on a train and taken to Lincoln, where he was kept in confinement until one day last week when he was returned to the Sullivan jail. Monday Justice Campbell went to the jail and took Atterberry's plea He waived examination and bail was fixed at $5,000. It was thought best not to take Atterberry through the streets to the office of the justice This action probably inspired the lynchers with confidence and they got together with guns and sledge hammers, dragged the struggling man from the jail and strung him up

## FELL IN A FAINT

### Hemorrhage of the Lungs Causes the Death of Frank Malley, a Brick Mason

From Tuesday's Daily

Frank Malley, late of Moweaqua, died of hemorrhage of the lungs last evening in the city prison to which place he was carried off the street by Officer Dempsey and Stanton Fields, jr Malley had fallen in a faint on the walk near the shoe stores on East Main street, and as he fell a lot of blood gushed from his mouth He was unable to move A crowd gathered Officer Dempsey came into the crowd, and Dr H D Heil appeared with his medicine box and case of instruments Malley, after he had been taken to the prison where he could have shelter, did not show any signs of improvement, and despite the efforts of the surgeon in his behalf, he died in a few minutes Coroner Bendure removed the body to the Reeve & Co rooms where the inquest was held with the jury Dr H D Heil, foreman James Moran, Dr James L Bevans, John Hartten, W H Black and M A McDowell There was but little evidence to offer Officer Brockway was the only witness A verdict of death from hemorrhage of the lungs was returned The deceased had been in poor health for many months, and was unable to follow his occupation He lived alone and had no family The body will be buried at the expense of the county

## THE M'KINLEY CLUB

### Indication That the Meeting at the Tabernacle Friday Evening Will be A Hummer

Reports coming in from different parts of the city indicate that the McKinley Republican club to be organized at the Tabernacle next Friday evening will start out with a membership of between one and two thousand The Tabernacle will be filled with enthusiastic Republicans who favor the nomination of Maj McKinley for president

Hon W G Cochran, of Sullivan, speaker of the present house of representatives, has agreed to be present and will speak on the occasion The overwhelming sentiment of the McKinley sentiment among wage earners is shown by the readiness with which they join the McKinley club In the Wabash shops 101 men have signed the list At the C, B & Q shops 13 signed At the Union Iron Works 20, and at the Furniture factory about 75, while among other workingmen outside of the shops the proportion that favor McKinley is fully as large

## INJURED IN A RUNAWAY

### S Farley, of Elwin Has a Runaway and is Thrown from His Cart

Samuel Farley, a farmer living near Elwin, had a runaway and met with a painful accident yesterday afternoon about 5 o'clock He had started home and was driving north on Water street when his horse frightened at the noise made by the steam escaping from the engine at the Shellabarger mill The horse was hitched to a road cart and when it turned suddenly Mr Farley was thrown from the seat He struck his head on the paved street with great force and was unconscious for several moments after the accident His face was bruised and he had a bad gash over one eye He was carried into Drinkall's drug store and cared for The horse dashed down Water street and at the corner of Orchard street ran into a telegraph pole and broke away from the cart it breaking to pieces

## MRS HOYLE WANTS A DIVORCE

### Nellie Carter and Fanny Hawkins Named as Co Respondents

In the circuit clerk's office to day Mrs Susan Hoyle a resident of Decatur, by her attorneys, LeForgee & Lee, filed a bill for a divorce from her husband, Lee J Hoyle, alleging adultery and drunkenness The couple were married at Springfield, Ill, Oct 19, 1893, and separated Sept 23, 1895 There is a child, and the wife prays to be given the custody of her offspring Fanny Hawkins and Nellie Carter, of Springfield, are named as co respondents The evidence will be heard at the June term of court

## BOND FIXED AT $500.

### Grant Atterberry Did Not Leave the Sullivan Jail to Appear Before a Justice

The bail of Grant Atterberry, arrested on a charge of the assault upon Mrs Roxy Atterberry, has been fixed at $5,000 He waived examination but did not leave the county jail to declare his wishes Justice Campbell visited Atterberry at the prison and took his plea which was that he waived examination In default of bail the accused will remain in custody awaiting the action of the Moultrie county grand jury which will meet in April

### Wide Open at Peoria.

The barbers at Peoria seem to have easy sailing Last Sunday 24 shops were running wide open, but the Trades Assembly representatives were out taking notes It is expected that prosecutions will follow

THE insurance companies paid $2,388 on the Magill house at Clinton.

# LAST SAD RITES.

### Funeral of Parke Hammer Very Largely Attended by Citizens Generally

### ADDRESS BY THE REV W. C MILLER.

### Great Profusion of Beautiful Floral Offerings—Friends View the Remains—Long Funeral Cortege to Greenwood

The funeral of the late Parke Hammer was held at 3 o'clock Sunday afternoon at the family residence, 371 West North street The attendance of sympathizing friends from nearly every walk of life was quite large, so numerous that the house was crowded, and the lawn and walks about the home of mourning were occupied, while the streets each way were lined with carriages and private conveyances The presence of so many citizens bespoke the high esteem in which the deceased was held and the general regret felt over his untimely death

In the parlor rested the lifeless form of Parke Hammer encased in a rich black casket and upon and about it was a great profusion of beautiful floral tributes, so numerous that there was scarcely available points in the parlor to place. They covered the casket, the piano the mantel and all of the stands Before three o'clock all who called were given an opportunity to enter the house and view the remains

### THE SERVICE

The sad services were conducted by Rev W C Miller of the Congregational church Music was rendered by a choir composed of Miss Addie Ebert, Mrs W J Hostetler, R W Chilson and Troy Alexander Rev Mr Miller's remarks were substantially as follows

The expression of every sad heart standing in the shadow of death is, "I knew that death was in the world but I never thought that my beloved could die, and so whatever may be the fortitude in life everyone comes to the edge of the grave and looks into it with one sad cry, "I never thought that I could bury my heart here Though from the beginning of time all this shadow has been a great truth, yet man never learns the lesson it teaches and without thought of change he places before his life his paradise afresh and expects no change Again this hour teaches us how our hopes are thrust aside and how strangely the facts of life contradict the desires of life And standing within these shadowed moments we are led to ask, why were men born into the world, why are they put into such circumstances and such relations? Why must the pathway be so rugged and so dangerous? Scattered here and there are glimpses of the relations which this life sustain to the life that is to be And when we say that these days are business days we have said all that can be said All good things are evolved from the conditions of human life No man in hents activity enterprise and benevolence The world is full of stimulation The great life that lives always adds something to the world some new thought, some new principle, and polishes the ways of living, until when it is gone Every day we feel that it is with us All this should make us one in humanity for this is the best in the world man standing by man, man trusting man, this man adding his strength to that man not quite so strong Our city is here as the aggregate of our human life To be a part of it, a thinking part, a working part, a moulding part, to add some new thought to the sum of all its thinking, to add some dollars to its general wealth, to add some building to its general idea of architecture, some new light to its increased morality, some love to the affections of home Oh, how noble that makes life! What manliness we find to day in industry men who believe in integrity, who have found suffering and relieved it How do we account for it? A divine eternal life walks by the side of every man Every time a man does a noble act there is a nobility in his life from which it springs

How beautiful our friends become to us under this law of life. Take this life that has gone, not from our lives but from our sight, take all the deeds of love, all thoughts of kindness, all the hours of self giving, all the joyful days, all the tender solicitudes for those he loved, sown like jewels on a cloth of gold and how forever and ever we must hold him near to our hearts. Forty years old, how short, and yet what responsibilities were assumed, and how heroicly they were carried What prospects there were before him To say that his was a mind unusually versed in great business principles, and filling with unusual ability a most difficult position in the largest business of our city, is only to express that which is on everyone's lips and in everyone's heart How much has been done for Christ by men when they did not know it because they did not understand that Christ was in every act of love, in every thought of human helpfulness, in every watchful hour, in every work that makes man nobler And now what can I say, at this last moment, more than what has been said? This life in the home, how should I touch it without too rude a speech? shall I say it was like a blossom, giving out fragrance all the time like a sheltering under which, for protection, gathered the loved ones, like a sun that forced its way through clouds, like a song that gathered to it the notes of a minor key, like a picture, to which each one added some color now light and now shaded Surely all these but symbolize the character of their son and brother whose form we are to lay away Pressed against your hearts to day must be the warm heart of the loving Christ Here is your eternal happiness, your ray of light brighter than the shades of the darkened clouds

After the services at the house the burial took place at Greenwood cemetery The remains were escorted to the cemetery by a long cortege The grave where the remains were laid to rest was lined with cotton, evergreens and bouquets of flowers Rev Miller conducted a brief burial service The pallbearers were W C Johns, Theron Powers, C P Kuny J A Merriweather, P R Shull and A H Mills

## PASSED AWAY

### Death of H B Matheny, an Old Settler of Decatur

Saturday evening February 8 at 5 40 o'clock, H B Matheny died at his home 1061 East William street, aged 75 years caused by old age and general debility The deceased was one of the early settlers of Illinois Born at Milan, Tenn he came to this state over fifty years ago, stopping at Sullivan He was the first constable elected in Moultrie county He had lived in Decatur over forty years He is survived by a wife and six children, all of whom are residents of Decatur The children are Charles Matheny Mrs M C Purdy, Mrs Charles Cunningham, Mrs J Frank Cassell, Mrs Charles Albertz and Mrs Stella Huston The funeral was held this (Monday) afternoon at the residence

### Happily Wedded

At 1 o'clock promptly on Sunday, the 9th inst Rev A M Dandy united in marriage Mr Frank T Odor, of Decatur to Miss Florence Sanders, of Long Creek The wedding was at the home of the bride's father, Mr Lewis Sanders, two miles north of Long Creek station There were present only the families of contracting parties A sumptuous dinner was served, and after leaving with the young people good wishes enough to make them happy through life the friends bid them good bye They go to Iowa in a week or two and will live on a farm near the town of Storm Lake

### $800 Tied Up

Attorney C W Greenfield, of the law firm of Parson & Greenfield, Chicago, was in the city looking after a case in court which has gone over until the June term It is an action in attachment for $700 or $800 in favor of the Parker Mutual Fire Insurance Co vs The Eagle Lumber Co of Davenport, Iowa Mr Greenfield represents the insurance company and Attorney W C Johns the Eagle Lumber Co Parties in Decatur have been attached for the amount of the claim alleged to be due on assessments, and about $800 is tied up

### He's More Than Pleased

Walter Hutchins face was wreathed in smiles yesterday when a reporter called on him Said he "Business good? Well, I should say so Since opening my new quarters at 357 North Water street Temple block, we've all been so busy as we could be And its a fact Mr Hutchin has one of the handsomest shoe palaces in the state and his trade is constantly on the increase He has already opened a large line of the latest spring styles, and they are as handsome as is his beautiful new store

## MARRIED

On February 9 by Rev D I Howe at the home of the bride's parents Mr and Mrs I Lyons on South College street John Neff and Miss Sarah Lyons both of Decatur

At the home of the bride's mother Mrs Mary Shrader 455 North Main street Feb 11 by Rev D I Howe of the First M E church Samuel W Stookey and Miss Ida M Shrader both of Decatur

A number of friends were present to offer congratulations and partake of the wedding repast

At his office at 9 30 p m Feb 11 by Justice Shorb Clark Trickel and Miss Martha Campbell both of Monroe Wis

At Bethany on Feb 10 by Rev Martin Schnebel Hoffman of Bethany and Miss Charlotte Forsyth of Decatur

### Quick Work.

M Shea, pension attorney, has received notice that a pension has been granted an applicant, who is his client, and who filed her application only 30 days ago The applicant was Mary Ann Burley, widow of a soldier of the Black Hawk war

### Revival at Harristown

W A. Humphrey is conducting a successful revival meeting at the Christian church at Harristown Already eighteen persons have joined the church. Rev Humphrey formerly lived in Decatur

### Births.

To Mr and Mrs Samuel T Coey, at 1435 North Clayton street, February 10 a son

## DIED

At Arcola Loudon county Virginia on the 24th of January 1896 Matthew P Lee, in the 93d year of his life being born the 4th of Sept 1803 He was the son of Joshua Lee a soldier in the war of 1812 S C A

# THE GARVER ESTATE

### Judge Vail Says the Litigation Must End Without Delay

### TOWNE MUST GO TO STATE PRISON.

### Unruly Boys at the Jail Disturb the Business of the Court—New Jury Sworn In—Motions

From Monday's Daily

Judge Vail at the reopening of court this afternoon gave his decision in the motion for a new trial in the two rape cases against W P Towne convicted by a jury The new trial motion was denied and the court will send Towne to the penitentiary for a term of years on the verdict

An effort was made by counsel representing ten parties interest to further the up the settlement of the David Garver estate The court listened until the lawyer had finished reading the affidavit, when he declared that the matter had been in court and had been in litigation long enough, and that it would have to be settled before the close of the present term The judge served notice on all of the attorneys to be ready when the case came up on call

The petit jurymen for two weeks of the term were called and duly instructed by the court

Four bad boys in the upper part of the jail caused such a racket when court opened that the sheriff had them down stairs and put them in the body of the jail

A number of motions were heard and entries made on the dockets

ATTACHMENT

Levi Athey appellee Suit dismissed

COMMON LAW DOCKET

D L Brooks vs O L Kirk assumpsit Default Court assesses damages at $2 01 Judgment

People use of Florence Nurses Co vs H K Midkiff debt Demurrer to plea sustained

CHANCERY DOCKET

J R Kilgus vs W S Northland Foreclosure Master reports $85 due complainant Decree for same and costs

The People's Savings and Loan Association vs Murray G Millikin chancery Referred to master

John Allen vs J J Baker foreclosure Master reports $8 due complainant Decree for same and costs

W J Ingram vs W S Northland foreclosure Master reports $85 due complainant Decree for same and costs

Alex Cox vs Elizabeth R Burns chancery Master's report approved Andrew Hemminger appointed trustee Stricken

In the circuit court Tuesday in the assumpsit case of J S Starr vs P P Roddy et al, the jury gave a verdict for the plaintiff for $1616 37

TRIAL DOCKET

W J Towne rape Motion for new trial denied and judgment that defendant be sent to the penitentiary in Chester Same order in two cases

Charles Buchanan et al vs Covenant Mutual Benefit Association of Illinois assumpsit Continued by agreement

Jesse LeForgee & Son vs George Hill et al assumpsit Continued

Elmer H Vandivas vs Eli Crosby et al, assumpsit Dismissed at cost of plaintiff

Clement L Bates vs City of Decatur trespass Trial by jury pending

CHANCERY DOCKET

Ann Bolles vs James L B Bolles et al partition Leave given to amend bill

Miles Buthaz et al vs L M Dalton et al chancery Demurrer to bill overruled and rule to answer by the fifth Saturday

Abram Carver et al vs Lewis M Carver et al partition Motion to recall Abram Carver over ruled

Victoria Stuart et al vs Benj F Stuart et al chancery partition Decree for complainants as to adult defendants now answering and referring to master

G W Ellis et al vs Minnie L Elliott partition Settled and dismissed at cost of complainant

Minnie Palmer et al vs Sam E Sayler et al petition to modify former order as to trust of Sarah Motion allowed permitting purchaser to pay all cash

COMMON LAW DOCKET

Herman Lochner J A Wilson vs Sarah Colin Trial by jury pending.

The Lanes Manufacturing Co vs A Larrabee assumpsit Continued

Harry Boston vs the City of Decatur cases Demurrer to declaration

C Tucker vs Adams et al trespass Motion by defendant to strike out certain pleas from files and motion sustained and plaintiff excepted

Hayes Dunn and Minnie Dunn vs Emma Snell trespass Default set aside Walter Walker Dunn's case dismissed by agreement at plaintiff's cost Judgment against Snell and summons for Snell and Walker quashed

National Printing and Lithographing Co vs Will Smith assumpsit Trial by court

Harriet Lester vs City of Decatur trespass Demurrer to bill overruled and by defendant for full of parties overruled

## PETITION FOR A CONSERVATOR

### Alleged Distracted Condition of Michael Eichinger to Be Investigated

Mrs. Mary E Eichinger came into the county court before Judge Hammer today and filed a petition alleging that her husband, Michael Eichinger, is a distracted person and a spendthrift who is in danger of wasting or lessening his estate so as to expose himself and family to want and suffering, and asking that Charles C LeForgee be appointed conservator of the estate of the said Michael Eichinger It is stated in the petition that Mr Eichinger's personal property is valued at $2000 He possesses considerable real estate


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## MOON S PHASES

Last quarter 7th 9 a m New moon 14th 1 a m First quarter 21st 7 a m Full moon 28th 8 a m

## ECLIPSES

Annular eclipse of the sun 14th invisible in North America Partial eclipse of the moon 28th invisible in North America

THE Chicago *Journal* speaks of the free silver senators of the west as "Sage Brush senators"

THE withdrawal of Peter Jackson from the pugilistic ring is as great a relief to the would be champions as the withdrawal of Harrison seems to be in other directions

THE interviews published in yesterday's Chicago *Tribune* from Indiana, answers the question, "Who is profited by the withdrawal of Harrison?" It was all one way for McKinley

SENATOR MATT S QUAY says the withdrawal of Harrison will advance McKinley's chances because there were many people in the east who were for Harrison who at heart are McKinley men, and that Indiana will give him most of its delegation

HON W L MASON expects to secure one third of the Cook county delegates who will favor his election to the United States senate Should he be successful in realizing these expectations the country should ask no more of him, but should support him so far as he is its choice

THE next Republican nominee for president will be elected, but if the people are consulted and they are given their choice the next Republican victory will settle the tariff question for the next fifty years and that without explanation during the campaign

THOSE people who wanted to kill off McKinley by claiming the people were opposed to the tariff bill that bears his name while at the same time they propose that the party shall make the campaign on the prosperity that followed the operations of that bill are becoming fewer each day

SPAIN is now engaged in fitting out the ninth expedition to subdue the rebellious Cubans The other eight have so far proved humiliating failures They have probably not used the right kind of tracks to catch the Cubans or have set too many in the newspaper offices and too few on the plantations

A PHILADELPHIA manufacturer says he receives more orders for McKinley buttons than for any other buttons of a political nature There is some speculation as to what this means, but the most reasonable conclusion is that more people are for McKinley than for all the other candidates combined

THE earnestness of the people in the matter of subscribing for the bonds offered by the government should certainly have the effect of making money easier and business better, but permanent and full relief will not come until every department of the government is again in the hands of the Republicans

TO SENATOR HANNA more than any other one man is due the fact that the present loan secured by popular subscription will save the country $7,000,000 over the syndicate contract A majority of the senators the president and Secretary Carlisle all laughed at the idea that a popular loan would be secured

THERE is much talk making Democrats about W L Wilson for president and why not He was carried through the house by shouting free trade after his bill to ruin American industries and American labor passed that body and subsequently he went to England and made a public speech in which he revealed that his bill had helped England The should make him a logical candidate and it follows he could get as many votes as any other Democrat and might induce England to contribute to his campaign fund

THE defeat of the District of Columbia appropriation bill by the house probably marks the turning point in a species of legislation which has crept into our politics, and which has no business in state matters The bill, like similar appropriation bills for years, carried appropriations for secretarian institutions in the District of Columbia, and the majority in the present house concluded it must stop and the entire bill was defeated, and the committee was ordered to report a bill without appropriations to any sectarian institution

ILLINOIS can nominate McKinley It may not be able to defeat him, as some hope it may be, and this means that it may not be able to nominate anybody else There are grave questions which are now being considered and ought to be settled wisely in the next 60 days The record of Illinois leadership for political astuteness is, to say the least, not very brilliant In 1888 it went on the craziest kind of a hunt for Gresham, and was left, and some of the very men who were in the Gresham hunt in 1888 and who want to swing the Illinois delegation now, did what they could in 1892 to keep the state away from Harrison, even going to the extent of bolting the state convention's instructions, and yet Harrison was nominated Bad advisers should not be followed too often

### Inexcusable Perfidy.

It is unfortunate for the country that such demagogues as David B Hill are in the senate, who are ready to sacrifice the prosperity of the country by joining the free silver people in their unpardonable scheme to force a free silver rider on the tariff bill, a bill calculated to relieve the treasury from future deficiencies, and incidentally, to stimulate a demand for labor in this country by limiting the importation of goods our own people should be engaged in producing for this market

The free silver senators forced through the senate a free silver rider to the bond bill a few days ago If they were honest and manly in their plans that should have been sufficient to advertise them to the country, but to force the same thing through the senate as a rider to the revenue or tariff bill is not only a work of supererogation but is an inexcusable bit of perfidy

The country needs the relief which would come through the tariff bill The treasury also needs the relief that would come through it But such men as Hill, who are opposed to a protective tariff and are in favor of forcing the American workingman to the level of the cheap laborer of Europe or starving him and his family by importing foreign goods that the American should be engaged in making, are determined that the tariff bill shall not be passed, and to defeat it have induced the free silver people to put their rider on the tariff bill

What advantage the Democrats expect to gain by such a course cannot be conjectured The country is tired of Democratic domination The people are tired of Democratic tariffs and want no more of it It did not bring the ease and comfort and prosperity promised for it The laboring man in work, the manufacturer by his idle capital and his idle wheels, the farmer by beggarly prices have lost twice over, more money since the date when Democratic campaigners promised good times were to be ushered in than the civil war cost, and now, when a Republican congress is trying to give relief for those same Democratic campaigners, who deceived the people in 1892, to join the free silver people in obstructing proper legislation cannot inure to the benefit of that party, but, on the contrary, must operate to drive more votes away from it

THE Chicago *Tribune* has exhibited commendable enterprise in canvassing Indiana to find out for itself what candidate will profit most by the withdrawal of Harrison Its columns yesterday as the result of the investigation will serve to stimulate the McKinley boom in other states, for from every point in Indiana with rare exceptions the word comes that the people are for McKinley What is true of Indiana is true of other states. Why are they for McKinley? Because at this particular time the people want to return to a logical protective tariff and McKinley more than any other man represents that idea according to the notions of the people The people admire McKinley because he was one of the few public leaders who, after the defeat of 1892, did not become confused and disheartened, but on the contrary stood up like a man of convictions and declared that protection to American industries was right and in due time the people would again turn to it for relief

IF the Morgan syndicate is successful in securing one half the bonds at 110 it will serve to emphasize the outrageous steal there was in allowing the Morgan syndicate to have the last issue of bonds at 104 It will do more than this It will show that public sentiment and the present congress served their country well when they forced the administration to call for a popular loan It saved the country millions of dollars and demonstrated that we are not dependent upon Great Britain for gold to preserve our credit It has taught this money borrowing administration, that did not believe a popular loan could succeed, that it was mistaken

THE Cook county machine charges that those who are fighting the early convention are the friends of McKinley, and intimate that it will injure McKinley in Cook county This might be a good theory if it was not for the fact that the Cook county machine started out to defeat McKinley in that county and the early convention is part of the scheme It is quite natural that those who are opposing the snap convention are largely composed of McKinley men.

AS the time approaches for the National Republican convention it becomes more and more apparent that no dark horse will be called out in that convention There is more in the coming campaign than the spoils of office, and the people have determined upon the nomination of a candidate who stands for a great principle rather than one who stands for great promises to a cabal that secures his nomination

ALDERMAN MANN, of Chicago, is a candidate for the nomination for congress to succeed Aldrich, and before he could make any headway he was required to come out squarely for McKinley for president And this was in Chicago, where we have been told nobody is for McKinley

THE free silver Senators were evidently off their guard when the anti-prize fight bill came over from the house. It was the most promising bill for a free silver rider that has yet come up in the Senate

SOME bright morning we may hear that the Cook county machine, that promised the Illinois delegation to another is asking to be taken into the McKinley tent and out of the storm.

THE chances are that before the National convention is held swinging a state into line solid will not affect the result of the convention.

THE people will be heard in the matter of their choice for president or they will know the reason why.

### Anything to Beat McKinley.

The following from the Chicago Evening *Journal* will be of interest not only to McKinley Republicans but those who favor Cullom as well.

It was stated to day that it was not improbable an attempt would be made at the approaching Republican county convention to secure an indorsement of the candidacy of Shelby M Cullom for president It was even stated that the resolution is now prepared, and, in the strongest manner, will commit the Republican party organization of Cook county to Mr Cullom

It may be, however, that the men who have this little scheme in hand may think better of it on second thought, for the introduction of such a resolution would be certain to produce the biggest kind of a rumpus It would not be confined to the anti machine men either, because, it must be remembered, the county machine managers are not by any means united on Mr Cullom's candidacy, nor, in fact, upon that of any man

John R Tanner and Dr Jamieson, for instance, are said to be strong Reed men, Martin B Madden is said to be committed to Senator Allison, while there are only a few of the comparatively minor leaders, like President Healy and Henry L Hertz, shouting for Cullom

UNITED ON ONE POINT

The only point regarding the presidential campaign on which there is said to be absolute unity among the Cook county leaders is opposition to McKinley This is the only proposition upon which they might all be depended upon to agree to Cook county giving an expression of favor to Senator Cullom It would be the only proposition upon which they might even be induced to go into a plan to deliver the vote of Illinois to Mr Cullom in the national convention, not with any idea of ultimately winning out with the "favorite son of Illinois, but with the idea that McKinley and his henchmen could be held off from Illinois with Cullom easier than in any other way until the time came for a flop

The supporters of McKinley in this region have linked the name of the Ohioan with every attempt to break the machine, and with the name of every outsider who has tried to break into the band wagon, and, having failed, has started an independent campaign of his own

On this account the Cook county leaders will agree among themselves to almost any plan to keep McKinley out of Illinois This is the reason why people who are studying this campaign and the politicians who are conducting it are inclined to give credence to the story that a Cullom resolution will be sprung in the county convention, which meets one week from Saturday

This completely expresses the present condition of the Cook county machine and its country attachment They started out to control the Illinois delegation in the National convention and throw it against the people's choice The delegation has been promised, by these gentlemen, to another candidate, one who is not the present choice of the people Why do they desire the nomination of a candidate the people do not prefer? The answer is easy If the people's choice is nominated a few men cannot control the patronage If a few men can pocket a state delegation and swing it as they please and nominate a man who is not the first choice of the Republican voters, that coterie of machine politicians in that event will have complete control of the patronage even down to the naming of the postmasters of a state The name of Cullom is being used by these people simply as a means to get control of the Illinois delegation in the country to "flop it," as the *Journal* says, to the man they promised it to A majority of this machine were against Cullom for senator last winter, and to assume they are honestly for him for President now is supreme nonsense They will not tie up the Chicago delegation by any sort of honest instructions for Cullom They don't want the delegation tied up That is precisely what they are scheming to prevent, and their pretense that they are for Cullom is simply put of the scheme to deceive the people and get control of the Illinois delegation

We are told that Illinois should name the next president That is not quite what they mean They want Illinois to attempt to name some man for president who is not the choice of the people Illinois can name the next president by declaring for the choice of the voters McKinley, but the machine would rather try to name some other man and make a mistake, as it did in 1888 in the case of Gresham

If there was any hope of Cullom's nomination the situation would be just as it was when he was re elected to the senate The people would be for him and the Cook county machine would be against him The Chicago *Journal* article touches the button and the people should do the rest

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### Abraham Lincoln's Religion.

The Chicago *Tribune* A letter which recently appeared in the columns of the New York *Sun* from a prominent heretic, affirming that Abraham Lincoln was a disbeliever in the doctrines of Christianity and that in his early days he wrote an essay on seeking to disprove them, has brought out in reply many statements which establish the contrary view Among them is one from General Collis, contending that Mr Lincoln was a sincere and consistent Christian, and Mr Dana himself editorially endorses the argument made by General Collis

Whatever Mr Lincoln may have said or written about religion in his youth is of little account compared with what he wrote and uttered in his later life on the same subject His juvenile attitude towards the christian faith rests alone upon the testimony of Mr Herndon, who, to say the least, is very sensational, imaginative, and impulsive, and therefore not altogether reliable witness The records are too full of positive expressions by Mr. Lincoln, showing his great reverence for religion and his unostentatious, natural sense of piety, to leave any doubt about his acceptance of the fundamental doctrines of christianity, though he was never in any sense a theologian When he left Springfield for Washington he said to his neighbors that he felt he could not succeed without the same divine blessing which sustained Washington In his own words "I hope you, my friends, will all pray that I may receive that divine assistance without which I cannot succeed but with which success is certain" These are not the words of an unbeliever, Gen Sickles testifies that after the battle of Gettysburg he had an audience with Mr Lincoln and that the latter explained he had felt no anxiety about the issue of the battle because in the privacy of his apartment he had prayed to God for success, "and I then and there made a solemn vow to God that if he would stand by our boys at Gettysburg I would stand by him And he did, and I will" Again, these are not the words of an unbeliever A year before his death he wrote to his friend Speed "I am probably engaged reading the Bible Take all of this book upon reason that you can and the balance on faith and you will live and die a better man" Illustrations of this kind might easily be multiplied His speeches and his writing abound with similar references They show not only that he believed in the fundamental doctrines of christianity, but that he had a simple, natural, trustful, unostentatious, and undogmatical form of religion It would make this world better if more people were the same type of christian as honest Abraham Lincoln

## W H ENGLISH IS DEAD

### Was the Democratic Nominee for Vice President in 1880

INDIANAPOLIS, Ind, Feb 7 —Hon William H English died to day He was the Democratic nominee for vice president in 1880, when W S Hancock ran for president Mr English was a leading Indianapolis banker and was widely known as a politician

He died in his rooms in the Hotel English at noon to day and had been ill with the grippe two weeks Then rheumatism set in and the heart action became bad In the past three days the patient had lapses of unconsciousness Since last night he was able only at intervals to recognize those about him Only members of the family were at the bedside at the time of death The funeral will occur Sunday afternoon

## NEW YORK REPUBLICANS

### State Committee Calls State Convention to Meet in New York March 24

NEW YORK, Feb 8 The Republican state central committee met to day and decided that the state convention be held March 24th in this city The presidential candidacy of Gov Morton was endorsed by the committee

### McKinley Club Organized

BOONVILLE, Mo, Feb 8—A large meeting of Republicans of Boonville met at the City Hall last night for the purpose of organizing the first Republican club in Cooper county for the coming campaign The hall was crowded and Republican enthusiasm ran high A large list of names was enrolled and the following officers elected Hon C C Bell President, John Huber Vice President, Herbert Aims, Treasurer, C L Gross, Secretary The Boonville McKinley Club was the name adopted for the club The club will soon number 400 members

### Exempting Cattle

WICHITA, Kan Feb 8 —The people of Oklahoma have advanced a new idea that will in a measure solve the grain transportation question To day the commissioners of Grant county passed a resolution exempting feeding cattle from taxation This was done for the purpose of inducing Texas cattlemen to bring their cattle there to eat up the surplus grain of that county, and thus avoid its shipment to Eastern points and giving the railroads the profit Other Oklahoma counties will do the same thing in the interest of the home market

### Shot the Wrong Man.

OSCEOLA, Mo, Feb 8 —William Twombley has been coming in to attend the Salvation Army meetings and on several occasions the harness of his team has been disarranged and tangled up Last night he laid in wait and shot Frank McClelland through the thigh while he was fooling around his wagon The injured man is not mortally wounded McClelland has evidently suffered for the acts of others

### Joseph R. Dunlop Sentenced

CHICAGO, Feb 8 —Joseph R Dunlop, proprietor of the Chicago *Dispatch*, was to day sentenced to two years in the penitentiary and to pay a fine of two thousand dollars, for circulating through the mails indecent matter contained in the daily issues of his newspaper This sentence was pronounced in the Federal court by Judge Grosscup this morning

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### Banks and Individuals who Bid for Government Bonds

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First National Bank, of Bellville $10,000 at 111

Second National Bank of Danville, $25 000 at 111

The following are the Illinois bids which will doubtless be rejected

A Andea, Bellville, $10,000 at 110

First National, Belleville, $100 000 at 110

Second National Bank, Danville, $50,000 at 109

First National Bank, Paris, $5,000 at 110 50

Winnebago National Bank, Rockford, $25,000 at 110

Exchange National Bank, Palo, $15,000 at 110

First National Bank, Grayville $50,000 at 109

Knowlton Bros, Freeport, $10,000 at 109

Farmers State Bank, Pittsfield, $10,000 at 109

Ross Matthews, Pittsfield, $100 at 109

Matthews & Morgan, $500 at 109

National Bank of Decatur, $15,000 at 109

Eversman Wood & Engbring, Effingham, $10 000 at 109

Second National Bank, Danville $75,000 at 109

S W Shattuck, Champaign, $500 at 109

F G Farrell, Jacksonville $21,500 at 109

Mrs Sarah A McFyre, Elizabethtown $250 at 109

Shelby County State Bank, Shelbyville, $5,000 at 109

First National Bank, Paris, $3,000 at 110 50

National Bank of Belleville, $5,000 at 110

Second National Bank of Danville $25 000 at 110

George F Luthringer Petersburg $2,000 at 109

Alton National Bank, Alton $10,000 at 109

City National Bank of Cairo, $25,000 at 109

Henry F J Ricker, sr Quincy, $250,000 at 109

Commercial State Bank, Windsor, $20 000 at 109

William Strange Kingman, $50 at 109

## SOUTH CAROLINA TREASON

### A Congressman From that State Defends Secession and Creates a Breeze in the House

WASHINGTON Feb 7 —The house to day became involved in a bitter controversy which sprang from some remarks made by Talbot (S C) in defense of secession which Barrett (Mass) interpreted as treasonable He had the speaker's words taken down and offered a resolution of censure After a wrangle and some explanations the resolution was referred to the committee on judiciary by a vote of 151 to 11 This is understood to mean that no notice will be taken of the matter

Talbert rose to a question of personal privilege touching what he claimed was a published misrepresentation of himself Pearson had, he said, made an unwarranted attack on the loyalty of his state which he declared as loyal as any in the Union Pearson said North Carolina followed South Carolina out of the Union and got whipped along with the Palmetto state Talbert admitted he impulsively replied that South Carolina was not ashamed of her action then that he then thought South Carolina right and thought so yet, and under the circumstances, surrounded by the same conditions, would do the same thing again "Now Mr Speaker,' said Talbert, "I repeat it," Barrett (Rep Mass) then demanded that the words be taken down, declaring that Talbott was violating his oath of office to support the Union by declaring that under certain circumstances he would favor secession Considerable sparring back and forth followed amid growing excitement, but finally Talbert explained declaring that South Carolina was as loyal as any state in the Union, that the circumstances under which she seceded could not exist again and he was glad of it

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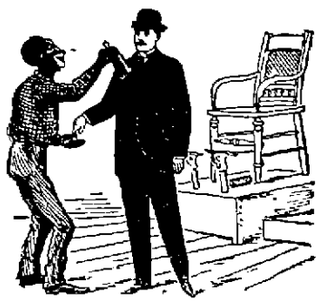

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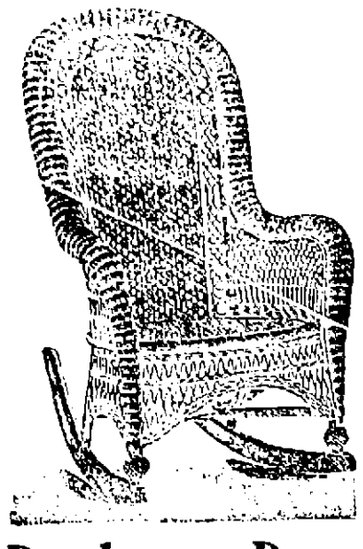

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## THE TRANSVAAL REPUBLIC.

**Lieut. Moore Writes Interesting Facts About That Distant Country.**

Since the dispute arose between England and Germany over the Transvaal Republic, news from that far away country is read with much interest. A Decatur man who recently visited South Africa writes about the country. Mrs. C. B. Moore, of this city, is in receipt of letters from her husband, Lieut. C. B. Moore, of the U. S. Navy, who has been at Cape Town, U. S. vessel Newark, the flagship of the South Atlantic squadron. He writes that while at Cape Town the officers were invited by the American consulate to visit the Transvaal Republic. They made the trip of 1100 miles from Cape Town to Johannesburg, the principal city of the Dutch Republic, over the new railroad which was built by Bernato, the Kaffir millionaire. While at Johannesburg, Lieut. Moore was the guest at the residence of Mr. Hammond, the American civil engineer, who has since been arrested for treason. Mr. Moore says the idea that Johannesburg is not an up-to-date city is a mistake, as it has every modern convenience, except a good water supply. The water is not fit to drink. He says that there are fine hotels, elegant club houses and beautiful drives in the city. Mr. Moore visited the Kaffir miners in the Dutch Republic and also the famous diamond mines at Kimberley. At the latter place, he says, the men who work in the mines little better than slaves. Around the property are immense walls and inside of this inclosure 3,000 natives work and live. They are kept under strict military discipline and are not allowed to go outside the walls, so that they cannot steal the diamonds.

While at Cape Town Lieut. Moore was entertained by Sir Hercules Robinson, the governor of Cape Colony, of whom so much has been written lately. Mr. Moore was charmed with South Africa, and thinks it is a very promising country. He found it very different from any place he ever visited in his travels and he says that the scenery the traveler sees on a trip through the country is beautiful beyond description. Lieut. Moore's vessel was lately ordered to Montevideo, Uruguay, and he will stay there until July when he expects to come to Decatur on a visit. He will then have three years land duty.

—"Christian Endeavor Day" was generally observed by the societies in Decatur, but owing to the inclement weather the meetings were not largely attended.

—The executive committee of the Decatur district met with Mr. T. C. McIntire last Tuesday evening. Those present were Miss Camp, of Bement; D. D. Watson, of Clinton, and the officers of the Macon County Union. Quite a lot of work was planned out for the few months. April 2 and 3 the Decatur district and the Macon County Union will hold a joint convention in Decatur. At this meeting there will be held the election of officers for the Macon County Union.

—It is expected that each society in the district will send two delegates to this convention.

—The second lecture in the missionary extension course will be given by President Turner, of the Lincoln University Thursday night, Feb. 13, at 7:30 in the Church of God, on the corner of North Water and Cerro Gordo streets.

President Turner needs no introduction to the young people of Decatur, as he has spoken here before, and no doubt the church will be more than filled. All the Endeavors are invited and expected, and any one interested in missions will made welcome. Remember the date, Feb. 13, at the Church of God.

## NEIGHBORHOOD NEWS.

**Sullivan.**

The protracted meetings at the M. E. church still continue, and great interest prevails. Rev. Blunk of Bethany, and Rev. Gowan, of Bruce, will be here to assist Rev. Squier during this week. About 50 conversions have taken place during this series of services.

The "New York Symphony Club" will give one of its excellent programs at the C. P. church Friday evening. They come highly recommended, and all should appreciate this opportunity.

Quite an excitement prevailed yesterday when it was learned that the youngest child of Mrs. Roxy Atterberry had been taken by the sister of Grant Atterberry. What could have been the woman's purpose in taking the child is not certainly known, but when she reached the square, without waiting for further harm to befall this unfortunate family, the constable demanded the child. It was surrendered without difficulty and taken back to its mother.

The Sullivan High school has on foot a plan which will probably develop into the editing of a High school paper. This is a very commendable movement, and one that should be encouraged by all. If it is materialized the first issue will appear in a short time.

Sullivan, Feb. 6, 1896.

**Secured a Pension.**

Charles Diehl is a patient at the Kankakee asylum. He is a veteran of the old 68th Illinois regiment. Through the efforts of Attorney Lamb, of Jacksonville, Attorney A. H. Mills of Decatur, and Congressman Connolly, Diehl has been granted a pension of $12 a month, dating from August, 1894. Mr. Mills is the conservator for Diehl. He has received a check for $199.20 on the allowance.

**Free Pills.**

Send your address to H. E. Bucklen & Co., Chicago, and get a free sample box of Dr. King's New Life Pills. A trial will convince you of their merits. These pills are easy in action and are particularly effective in the cure of Constipation and Sick Headache. For Malaria and Liver troubles they have been proved invaluable. They are guaranteed to be perfectly free from every deleterious substance and to be purely vegetable. They do not weaken by their action, but by giving tone to stomach and bowels greatly invigorate the system. Regular size 25c per box. Sold by King & Metz, Druggist. 4m

H. C. Maltby and wife sold to John Damarin 160 acres in section 25 in Oran township, Logan county, for $16,000. It is the tract of land so long owned by Dr. J. C. Ross deceased

The new Pazaswell club house in Pekin will be opened on the evening of February 12, Lincoln's birthday.

# DECATUR'S PRIDE.

**Powers New Grand Opera House to be Opened Monday Night.**

## IT WILL BE A BRILLIANT EVENT.

Description of the Interior of the Handsome Temple of Amusement—The Decorations and Scenery—Tasteful Blending of Colors—A Monument to Mr. Powers's Generosity and Enterprise.

The New Grand.

It will open again Monday evening, Feb. 10.

Rice's "1492" will be the attraction.

Let the great hall be packed to the dome.

The entire community looks forward with pleasure to the re-opening of Powers' New Grand Opera House, which important event will occur next Monday evening with the presentation of Rice's "1492." The work of rebuilding the structure has come to a close and everything will be in readiness for the opening night. Without doubt Decatur has one of the most artistically decorated, best appointed and handsomest theatres in Illinois outside of Chicago. While it is not as large as some of the city theatres there are few play houses in Chicago that surpass it in beauty and completeness. It hardly seems possible that on November 4th last the Powers opera house was completely destroyed by fire and that the handsome building has again sprung up almost as if by magic. Immediately after the disaster the owner decided to rebuild, and since that time large forces of men have been at work night and day striving to construct the building at the earliest possible time. The task has been completed and at an expense of about $75,000. No money has been spared in making the place attractive, and as long as the opera house exists it will stand as a monument to the generosity and enterprise of its owner, Orlando Powers.

DESCRIPTIVE.

The dimensions and general arrangements of the house are the same as before the fire; in fact one almost feels that they are in the old house, newly and more handsomely decorated. There are however, many marked improvements which will add to the comfort of the patrons and convenience of the managers. The entrance to the theater is the same as it was before the fire. The wood work in the lobby is of highly polished oak. The walls in color are a deep red and the ceiling is frescoed in lighter tints. The box office is on the south side and the check room on the north side of the lobby. Swinging glass doors open into the reception room. Here the walls are decorated in a pretty shade of green and an elegant green carpet covers the floor. On the south side is a large red terra cotta fireplace with a gas log and the stairway leading to the balcony is on the north side. The woodwork is oak, the same as in the lobby.

IN THE NEW HALL.

Passing under the wide arch the spectator enters the theater proper, and here a pleasant sight meets the eye. The colors of the decorations in the auditorium are Egyptian red, dark green and old ivory, with gold trimmings. The rich red and deep green of the walls and draperies are brightened by the shades of old ivory of the woodwork and ceiling, and finished by the gilt trimmings, making a thoroughly artistic and harmonious effect. The color scheme is finely carried out in every detail of the house. The wainscot which extends around the walls about five feet from the floor, is enamelled old ivory, as is all of the woodwork in the house. The Egyptian red of the walls is relieved by a conventional pattern in gold and as it extends toward the ceiling gradually blends into a pale pink and is lost in the gold borders at the top. The ceiling is exquisitely frescoed in two shades of old ivory and gold. In the center of the ceiling is a large dome in which are many incandescent lights. In front of the dome in the ceiling is a large madalion in the center of which is the monogram P. O. H.

THE BOXES.

On each side of the house there are two lower and two upper boxes and above these a false box. The woodwork about the boxes is enamelled in a light and a dark shade of old ivory with the relief work in gold. The arches of the boxes are finished with gilt grille work. The inside curtains and carpet of the boxes are dark red and the outside draperies dark green and gold. In each box are five rattan chairs enamelled in white and gold. At the doors of the encore boxes are red and gold portierres, and at the other doors in the house are green and gold curtains. All of the draperies are made of the heaviest velours trimmed with gold braid. The aisles are covered with heavy moquette carpets of a rich red color. Around the edge of the proscenium arch is a broad gold border. The front of the balcony and gallery is similar to the decoration of the boxes and walls.

THE NEW CHAIRS.

The chairs are made of natural birch, upholstered in red velvet and correspond with the colors of the wall decorations. The chairs are comfortable and are placed at a convenient distance apart. There is a noticeable improvement in the arrangement of the seats. The parquette circle is raised much higher than it was before, allowing those who sit in the back part of the house to see over the heads of persons in front.

LIGHTING FEATURES.

The house will be lighted by about 540 incandescent lamps, which are arranged in the borders grouped in chandeliers. Besides the electric lights there are gas fixtures. The system of lighting the house will be better than ever before, as the best electric fittings possible have been secured. Every six lights in the house can be separately controlled from the stage by a switch board, which the workmen who put it in say is the most perfect one of the kind that they ever saw. There are also foot-lights and side-lights which will be used for stage effects.

SEATING CAPACITY.

The seating capacity of the house is greater by ten than it was before. It will accommodate 1610 persons, 570 on the lower floor, 335 in the balcony, 665 in the gallery and 40 in the boxes.

THE DROP CURTAIN.

The drop curtain is very beautiful and elaborate, and the work is excellently well done. It is a fanciful composition entitled, "Under Italian Skies." It is a scene replete with the sublimities of nature and the beauties of art—humanized by the presence of life and enjoyment on every hand.

A picturesque Italian village composed mainly of delicately tinted and artistic villas borders one of the beautiful lakes of Northern Italy. Directly back of it rises a mountain ridge several thousand feet high, green at its base and almost to its snow-capped summit. Villas and gardens climb its velvety slopes and nestle at heights where their inhabitants seem out of reach of all human turmoil, and are simply drinking in the beauties of earth, sea and sky. Across the lake in the immediate foreground of the picture is a villa garden and terrace peopled with a youthful, happy group whiling away the summer hours with music and song. The terrace overlooks a church and monastery and below all is the beach where the row boats and sail are departing and returning with freights of pleasure seekers who can find naught but beauty and inspiration under this cerulean dome. This scene, though fanciful, faithfully depicts an hundred points scattered here and there upon the northern lakes "Under Italian Skies."

This charming picture is surrounded by beautiful draperies of corn-colored satin and beneath it is a rich tapestry border. The soft atmospheric effects of the landscape contrasting with the sheen and richness of the textiles is truly beautiful. Decatur has something to prize in this work of art and it reflects great credit upon the always excellent work of Nixon and Toomey, Scenic Artist company.

THE CONTRACTORS.

The architect and builder of the opera house is W. O. McNabb. The other firms who had the contracts for the different work about the building were as follows: Brick work, Randall & Troutman, Decatur; scenery and stage fittings, Noxon & Toomey, St. Louis; interior decorations, Mitchel & Halbach, Chicago; entrance decorations, William Blank, Decatur; seating, A. H. Andrews & Co., Chicago; box chairs, George W. Meyer, Decatur; draperies, Chicago Carpet Co., carpets and window shades, Linn & Scruggs Co., Decatur; electric work, H. T. Broughton, St. Louis; paint and finishing, John E. May, Decatur; plumbing, Field & Wilson, Decatur.

## READ HER LOVER'S LETTERS.

**They Were from His Other Girl, and Now There Is Trouble.**

Amanda Peppard, aged 16, was held to the federal grand jury at St. Joseph, Mo., the other day, on a charge of opening and destroying letters addressed to Theodore Miller. Miller and the girl were lovers, but had a quarrel over the attentions paid by him to another girl. Miss Peppard called at the post office for her lover's mail, and he says intercepted letters from her rival. United States Assistant Prosecuting Attorney W. M. Draffen, of Boonville, appeared to prosecute the case.

## ODD WEDDING PRESENT GIVEN.

**It Is a Theater Lease, Katherine Havlin Being the Beneficiary.**

The ownership of the lease of Havlin's theater at St. Louis has changed, and the transfer says it is "in consideration of the sum of her love and affection." The lease is a present from John Havlin and his wife to their daughter Katherine, and it is in the nature of a wedding present, as the young lady is soon to be married to a Cincinnati man. The lease has 15 years to run, and is a very valuable present. Mr. Havlin will retain the management of the theater, but all the receipts will go to the young lady.

**Bernhardt a Devoted Grandmother.**

Sarah Bernhardt is devotedly attached to her daughter-in-law, Princess Jablonowska, who married Maurice Bernhardt, and assumes the role of grandmother with great enthusiasm. She often says: "I take more interest in these young people than in all my plays."

**A Valuable Domestic.**

An Atchison woman discovered recently that her cook was a crackerjack whist player. Ever since her discovery, when two women happen to drop in, she calls the cook from her work to make a fourth hand, and keeps her at the game so long that her kitchen work is never done.

**Lake Michigan's Depth.**

The deepest place ever measured in Lake Michigan showed a depth of 870 feet, or about one-sixth of a mile. The mean depth is 325 feet, or one-sixteenth of a mile.


**A Sound Liver makes a Well Man**

Are you Bilious, Constipated, or troubled with Jaundice, Sick Headache, Bad Taste in Mouth, Foul Breath, Coated Tongue, Dyspepsia, Indigestion, Hot Dry Skin, Pain in Back and between the Shoulders, Chills and Fever, &c? If you have any of these symptoms, your Liver is out of order and your blood is slowly being poisoned, because your Liver does not act properly. Herbine will cure any disorder of the Liver, Stomach or Bowels. It has no equal as a Liver Medicine. Price 75 cents. Free trial bottles at J. W. Eichinger's and C. F. Shilling's.


D. W. Ducy has sold his saloon in Kenney to C. N. Davidson, and will remove to Clinton.


One Minute Cough Cure touches the right spot. It also touches it at the right time if you take it when you have a cough or cold. See the point? Then don't cough. West's Drug Store.


## NEWSPAPER WAIFS.

Speaking of Schomburgk, why not draw the line at the "k?"—Minneapolis Times.

The New Girl.—"Johanna, don't forget to dust the bric-a-brac." "No, ma'am. Where do you keep the dust?"—*Detroit Free Press.*

He—"I'm afraid the coming woman will swear." She—"Oh, no; she intends to run things so well there won't be anything to swear at."—Chicago Record.

Murphy—"Finnegan, yez owe me two dollars." Finnegan—"Oi know it—but Oi'm goin' to kape it as security for the 50 cents yez borrowed from me a year ago."—Truth.

Pignosed Smith—"Wot do you think of that there scheme of bein' able to photograph a bullet in a man's body?" Rubberneck Bill—"Dunno, friend, dunno. Wish we had one of them machines and a Chinaman to try it."—Indianapolis Journal.

At the Opera.—Duer—"It is almost impossible to get seats for the grand opera, and it is a rather poor company, too. I don't understand it." Duell—"Well, the singers have such weak voices that they do not disturb the conversation."—Harlem Life.

"Every experience of your life, my friend," said the solemn-faced visitor at the jail, "is for you to make the right use of it. Utter no complaint. Bear your punishment in silence. Take things as you find them." "I allus do," said the dejected vagabond behind the bars. "That's how I got here."—World's Comic.

## THE LITTERATEURS.

Mrs. Julia Ward Howe will deliver a lecture in the spring in Syracuse, N. Y., on "Personal Reminiscences of the New England Poets."

Edmund Clarence Stedman, who is the author of the best critical work on the Victorian poets, says that Mr. Austin will do as poet laureate "during what may be called an interregnum."

Sardou is now 64 years old, wrinkled and half bald, but in his elastic step and brilliant eye as youthful as a boy. He is said to have earned $1,000,000 from his plays. Yet his first play was a dire failure.

Mme. Alphonse Daubet, wife of the famous novelist, has written an article describing the visit of herself and husband to London last year. Mme. Daubet views England through rose-colored spectacles. She admires everything there but the climate.

Robert Louis Stevenson's history of his own family will appear in the forthcoming edition of his works now being prepared in Edinburgh. It ends with the great achievement of his grandfather's life in the building of the Bell Rock lighthouse.

Richard Henry Dana, Jr., best known as the author of "Two Years Before the Mast," also wrote the account of the Monroe doctrine which appears in Wheaton's "International Law." He was a lawyer of great ability, and in 1876 was nominated for minister to England, but the senate refused to confirm him.

## HINTS FOR THE HOME.

A dish of water placed in a hot oven where pies, cakes or puddings are being baked will prevent them from scorching.

Old leather can be made to look like new by applying a coat of French polish with a camel's hair brush. If the color is worn off the leather in any places it is best to color the polish according to the color of the leather.

The skin of fruit should never be eaten, not because they are not palatable or digestible or are unhealthful in themselves, but on account of the danger arising from microbes, which may have penetrated into the covering of the fruit.

People who are susceptible to the cold should make a point of wearing loose clothing in cold weather. Loose garments are always warmer than tight-fitting ones, not only because they allow more room for circulation, but also because they permit a layer of air between the skin and the outside cold.

If you have butter that is not entirely sweet put it in a porcelain dish with a little salt and a tiny piece of soda, place over the fire and bring to a boil. Turn it into a stone jar and set it in a cool place. The butter will be found perfectly sweet and not too salt for cooking. The impurities will settle to the bottom of the jar.

## GOSSIP OF THE STATES.

The people of Cincinnati are taking steps to erect a statue of Gen. Zebulon Pike, the discoverer of Pike's Peak.

The most costly horse barn in the world is at Syracuse, N. Y. It belongs to D. E. Crouse, and cost $700,000.

The natives of Alaska seldom change their clothes unless they are worn out. They are considered the filthiest race of beings on the earth.

Of the national conventions of the two parties Baltimore has entertained ten and Chicago nine, Philadelphia coming third with four.

The governor's mansion in Frankfort, Ky., is the oldest building in the town. It was built 98 years ago, and has been occupied by 33 governors, including Mr. Bradley.

## BITS OF HISTORY.

Books were originally made of boards or bark of trees, then of skin and parchments. Papyrus was used in Egypt. Vellum leaves were invented by Attalus, king of Pergamus, about 198 B. C. The most ancient are the Pentateuch of Moses and the poems of Homer and Hesiod.

Miss Ada Latimer has sung the hymn to Apollo, found at Delphi in 1893, before the Woman's University club of New York. It is thought that this song of Greek devotion has not been sung since the Ionian boatmen heard the cry: "Great Pan is dead," about Christmastide, A. D. 4.

**Decision On the New Law.**

Judge Shaw rendered a decision at Rockford Tuesday in the circuit court which will have a bearing on the law of 1893 regarding prosecution for wife desertion. Marshal Penniman was found guilty and remanded for sentence, but Judge Shaw decided that a wife can not testify in such cases against her husband, thus making the statute practically useless, as this is the only evidence on which conviction can be secured.

William Britt, of Armington, is in very delicate health.

**A Surprise Party.**

On Wednesday last neighbors began to gather at the home of Mr. John Coombs, living two miles east of Elwin. Mr. C. did not "catch on" until quite a number had arrived. Early in the morning his good wife proposed to fix him up finer than usual. He could not see why he should be thus arrayed and refused to be unusually dressed up. The dinner was a fine one, turkey being the great attraction. When dinner had been served songs and pleasant converse filled up the afternoon. Mr. Coombs being confined all the time in the house greatly enjoyed this kindly visit of his neighbors and friends. Those present were Messrs. C. T. Wells, J. J. Coloney S. Gray, C. Cunningham, C. R. Mallory T. Fountain, T. B. Jones and their wives, Mrs. Rev. W. S. Night and Rev. A. M. Danely. It will be remembered that Mr. Coombs was stricken with paralysis about one year ago. Hence this kindly visit of his neighbors.

**Noah's Business.**

While the teaching of a class of girls in a school recently, the master asked the following question:

"What was Noah supposed to be doing when the animals were going into the ark?"

He received several answers. At last a little girl put up her hand.

"Well," he said, "what do you say?"

"Taking the tickets, sir." *Buffalo Times.*


**All Free.**

Those who have used Dr. King's New Discovery know its value, and those who have not, have now the opportunity to try it Free. Call on the advertised Druggist and get a Trial Bottle, Free. Send your name and address to H. E. Bucklen & Co., Chicago, and get a sample box of Dr. King's New Life Pills Free, as well as a copy of Guide to Health and Household Instructor, Free. All of which is guaranteed to do you good and cost you nothing. King & Metz's drug store. dm



"Give me a liver regulator and I can regulate the world," said a genius. The druggist handed him a bottle of De Witt's Little Early Risers, the famous little pills. West's Drug Store.


An effort will be made to hold the next meeting of the Central Illinois Schoolmasters' club at Peoria.


J. W. Pierce, Republic, Ia., says: "I have used One Minute Cough Cure in my family and for myself, with results so entirely satisfactory that I can hardly find words to express myself as to its merit. I will never fail to recommend it to others, on every occasion that presents itself." West's Drug Store.


An East Washington street, Clinton, wife-beater is about to have his picture printed in the newspapers, unless he speedily adopts some other amusement.


Don't invite disappointment by experimenting. Depend upon One Minute Cough Cure and you have immediate relief. It cures croup. The only harmless remedy that produces immediate results. West's Drug Store.


The Chicago Coal and Lumber Company in Clinton has been sold to R. B. Day & Co.

The Model Shoe and Clothing Company, of Clinton, will open for business March 1.

The congressional convention of the Twelfth district meets in Watseka April 14.

E. E. Hollenshe, of Champaign, is now a photographer in Clinton.

J. Hendee, of Isabel, Mason county is rapidly loosing his sight.

The Fulton Bros., of Mason City, are shipping hay from Missouri.


## A GOOD OFFER.

Two One Dollar Papers for one Year for One Dollar.

**Two weekly papers for the price of one is certainly a good offer and yet that is what we do in another part of this paper. Read the advertisement headed "A CAMPAIGN OFFER" and see what we say about it, and then avail yourself of it at once. We offer:**

THE DECATUR WEEKLY REPUBLICAN
and the
NEW YORK WEEKLY TRIBUNE
BOTH for ONE DOLLAR FOR ONE YEAR.

**This is a campaign offer and is open until March 1, 1896 to all new subscribers to the REPUBLICAN and all old subscribers who will pay up arrearages and $1 in advance for the two papers.**

**The political campaign next year will be the most important and far reaching of any since 1860 and you will want to know all about it. You can get this from THE WEEKLY REPUBLICAN, the only Republican paper published in Macon County and The New York Weekly Tribune which is conceded to be the greatest weekly published in the world. Aside from politics you get in these two papers all the general news, both east and west, and all the home news.**

**These two papers contain 130 columns of matter, politics, news, stories etc. The REPUBLICAN is printed Thursdays and reaches you the same day. The Tribune is printed Wednesdays and reaches you about Friday. You have them both fresh every Saturday evening and Sunday.**

**This is the best offer ever made to the people of the county and should be promptly accepted. Send in your name and money at once, or come to the REPUBLICAN office, square up and take both papers for one year for one dollar. Don't wait, as the first day of March will soon roll around.**

# Weekly Republican.

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It is not only possible but it is highly probable that the nomination may be by acclamation at St Louis

Col Fred Morrison has managed so far to walk all around the free silver moloch and has never touched it.

Gov Morrison has been skunked in the preference for president by the Illinois editors and Reed and Allison showed up very weak

Gen Weyler will be in Cuba this week and the country may expect to hear from him that is as what he intends to do

The southern delegate like his northern brother, is likely to be governed to some extent by the red paint or the band wagon

Ex Gov Foraker would have a good cause of action against those newspapers that are eventually trying to make it appear that he is treacherous to McKinley

It is a good thing for a government to be able to borrow money but it is much better to have revenue laws that will yield money enough to pay expenses as we go

If the law admitted of it the government could sell bonds running three years at less than 2½ per cent A gentleman who was a successful bidder for $1,500,000 at 4 per cents has been offered $90,000 for his bargain

The effort to tie the hands and feet of the Illinois delegation to the St Louis convention, so that it may be delivered by a combine as chickens are delivered from a country wagon, has been kicked about until its friends can not recognize it

It is announced that Quay and Manderson are both candidates for president On the rally theory we hear advanced about a state going solid and nominating a president in order to have power with the administration will be pretty thin in spots when eight or ten states go into the business

It would require one hundred and three railway cars carrying ten tons each to carry the $558,269,850 in gold offered for bonds in the present call for a loan Counting at the rate of sixty dollars a minute counting twelve hours a day it would require one person over fifty years to count the amount

If the small minority were to yield, as it should do in the interests of the party the St Louis convention could make a nomination by acclamation, as the Republican conventions of 1864 and 1872 did It should be remembered that as a result of these conventions the party had marvelous majorities

The replies to the Chicago *Tribune's* inquiries show that Indiana is solid for McKinley that out of 150 replies to the inquiries of that paper from the state of Illinois 8 editors are for McKinley, and of the others a large per cent are for McKinley also, but in case Cullom is a candidate will be for him for the sake of state pride, the replies from Wisconsin, Michigan and Missouri show that the people of those states are also for McKinley The same is true in every state Then why not make it unanimous

Chairman Thompson of Cook county recognizes the fact that the people are for McKinley He said yesterday "There is undoubtedly a great sentiment in favor of McKinley all over this state If, as has been claimed 80 per cent of the voters are in his favor they will have a full free and fair opportunity to cast their votes for the candidate of their choice I have the most profound respect for McKinley as has every other true Republican I wore a McKinley button in 1892 and have it yet and will wear it at the banquet next Wednesday night

There seems to be no hope of the passage of the resolutions introduced by Senator Quay to separate the tariff bill from the free silver rider reported to the senate by the finance committee The Democratic senators who have stood for honest money will not seem to have patriotism enough to draw them above the hope of securing some party advantage and will not vote to divide the question so as to allow the passage of the tariff bill not aimed to relieve the treasury There is no excuse for such a course The revenue could not have been placed upon the tariff bill for any legitimate purpose and the country will hold those responsible who refuse relief to the treasury

The Chicago *Tribune* is engaged in the laudable enterprise for which it deserves credit of developing the fact that the people are in favor of the nomination of William McKinley for president The preference for him among the wage earners of the country, the common people and the business men is as wide as the country There are not ten states in the Union, great and admirable as other candidates may be, where they can expect to carry a majority are not in favor of his nomination If it is the desire of Republicans to build up a great party the first thing to do is to give the people the candidate they want and cease those undemocratic methods of scheming to send delegates to the St Louis convention who will ignore the will of the people by voting for men the people do not favor at this time It will pay the party better to give the people their choice than to play for favors at the hands of the nominee This means that those who seek by intrigues to defeat the convention in order to effect a combination and name a candidate in spite of the preference of the people in order to secure patronage and advance bosses are not working in the interest of the party but simply to accomplish their own selfish ends

## Not for State Pride Alone.

Those Illinois editors who favor Cullom for president on account of "state pride" are not much superior to the one who favors McKinley because he enjoys a "personal acquaintance" with him. It is not known that Senator Cullom is a candidate for the presidency His attitude seems to be that he would accept the office if it came to him without a contest This involves such a division of sentiment in the convention as will make it impossible to nominate any of the leading candidates now before the people

It would be most unfortunate for Senator Cullom to become an avowed candidate and make a fight for the Illinois delegation under conditions which prevail in the state No one acquainted with the people of Illinois would care to dispute the fact that an overwhelming majority of the people have long since settled upon McKinley as their choice It would be no easy matter to drive or entice them from their choice, in face of the fact that there is plenty of evidence in the bold promises made by certain politicians to deliver the delegates selected by the people, not to Senator Cullom, but to another candidate who is not the choice of the Republicans of the state These leaders have openly and shamelessly exploited their intention, and have excused it on the ground that in that way the state could make itself felt This when reduced to a simple proposition means that a few men propose to purchase favors with the people's delegates regardless of the people's wishes and make themselves felt

Now when these men change their tactics and advocate the consolidation of the state's delegation on Senator Cullom, the people have a right to question their sincerity The most conspicuous evidence of their insincerity lies in the fact that a year ago many of these same people were opposing Senator Cullom's re election to the senate, and the people who favor the nomination of McKinley cannot be blamed for concluding that it is only a revision of the original scheme to deny the people their right of choice and bring about what they originally started out to accomplish The rank and file of the party do not propose to allow themselves to be fooled if they can prevent it, and until they are convinced that everything is square and honest there will be little use in arguing the favorite son business in order to tie up the Illinois delegation

These are the reasons why Senator Cullom cannot afford to assume any other attitude than he has, namely to signify a willingness to watch events and be ready to profit by any division that may occur in the convention In that case he should not be supported as a matter of 'state pride,' but because there was an opportunity to nominate an Illinois man qualified for the position

## That Ohio Fight

The Ohio Republican state central committee when it met last week passed strong resolutions in favor of McKinley for president, and selected Senator elect Foraker for chairman of the state convention, and yet in spite of this those newspapers that become entangled with a low tariff and don't want to see McKinley nominated, immediately begin to see Foraker knives in the air seeking the McKinley presidential heart No man would suppose for one moment that in each congressional district in the state of Ohio there would be only two men who desired to be delegates to the St Louis convention. When there are more than two of course there must be a contest Those papers which are trying to disseminate falsehoods, to the hurt of McKinley, magnify those contests into fights between the McKinley and Foraker forces Governor Bushnell, who is said to have been nominated through the friendship of Foraker, says that in these contests all the candidates to go to St Louis are McKinley men, and the contest is simply to determine who shall go

## Who Is the Tribune For?

Those country editors of Republican newspapers, who in January 1895, were characterized as "infinitesimal insect" editors and "cuckoos" by the editor of the Chicago *Tribune*, because they supported Senator Shelby M Cullom for reelection to the United States Senate have, in response to a request of the *Tribune*, given it their individual choice for president and the reason why It is now in order to ask the *Tribune* whom it favors for president, and the reason why The country editors want to know and by unanimous consent the *Tribune* should not be confined to 50 words but should be conceded a thousand if it wants that many Or, if it prefers to do so, let it say whom it is not for and give the reason why In that case it should be unlimited in the matter of words

## McKinley Sentiment.

That the good honest sentiment of the country everywhere is for McKinley is a claim the REPUBLICAN has made all along To those who have taken pains to observe human nature this fact is very clear

Let us examine how public sentiment has reached this point In 1884 the enemies of protection attacked the treasury surplus and charged that it was the result of the robbery of protection That that system took money out of the pockets of the people and piled it up in the treasury where it did no one any good and at the same time impoverished the masses This gave rise to a wish to revise the tariff to the end of producing less revenue The effect of this was to cause a general onslaught on the part of the Democrats and other free traders and low tariff advocates, upon the principle of protection In 1888 the Republican party promised a revision of the tariff along protection lines This did not mean a scaling down of duties, but a revision which involved the raising of duties where they were found too low and lowering where they were found too high Harrison was elected, and with him a Republican house of representatives, the senate being Republican William McKinley was placed at the head of the ways and means committee, which is the committee to which is intrusted the formulation of revenue bills That committee took up the question of tariff revision, and that act known as the McKinley tariff act was the result The duties on some articles was raised, and on the others lowered, and some, including sugar, were made free The effect of the act was to stimulate the industries of the country, and such prosperity as was never before known came to our people The effect of the bill was also to reduce the revenues, the point started for by the Democrats in 1884

Those who at first claimed they wanted a reduction of the revenues immediately showed by their conduct that they were fighting protection, under cover of a demand for less revenue, and the entire Democratic party, aided by the free trade or low tariff Republican papers, attacked the McKinley bill with a fury that was never before equaled, even going to the extent of claiming it was not in the interest of American labor but in the interest of the "ram raisers" and the "mill bosses" The result was the heads of hundreds of thousands of working men were turned and in 1892 Cleveland and a Democratic congress were elected

The result of the election frightened the manufacturers, mills shut down, labor lost employment and hard times came The demand for goods and other products was diminished, there was a falling off of imports and internal revenue receipts, the administration had to borrow money to pay the running expenses of the government, poverty took the place of plenty and idleness the place of employment The Wilson low tariff bill was passed It brought no improvement, and the country settled down to the fact that it had made a grievous mistake in 1892 and it wanted relief It wanted to get back to protection and when it looked for a leader, McKinley like Saul, stood head and shoulders above everybody He to the people represents protection He stands pre eminently as the one great friend of labor He was maligned, abused and vilified by those who fooled the people, and they now see he was right and his detractors were wrong and in great and ponderous majorities the people are demanding that McKinley be made the Republican nominee for president

## He Had the Bait

Billy Mason, in a speech before those who are protesting against what they call the snap convention, and who were inclined to get up a ticket of their own, advised against it on the ground that the party is fighting for great principles and could not afford to have a split. It reminded him, he said, of the old man who jumped into the water and rescued a boy with whom he had been fishing One who saw it complimented the man on his bravery in saving his boy's life "He's not my boy,' said the fisherman "Then, said the other, 'It was still braver to save one who was not your boy,' when the old man replied 'Gosh darn it! I had to save him He had all the bait in his pocket"

McKINLEY and Reed are even in one respect in their experience with southern delegates In one state a delegate elected for Reed has come out for McKinley, and in another state one elected for McKinley has come out for Reed

A NEGRO recently married, and when he went to visit his wife's mother in an adjoining state he was horrified to find that she was his slave wife and his present wife was his own daughter

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## Proposed to Fifty-Two Women

DANVILLE, Ind, Feb 10—Abram Estes, an old and wealthy farmer living east of this city, is a widower and is tired of his lonely life Two months ago he started out to find the mate that would share his joys and sorrows for a few years He has traveled all over the western part of the state and has made, he says, no less than fifty two proposals But the unfortunate lover has received fifty two refusals He came home to day and ordered a new dress suit He says he will try the eastern part of the state next

## Officer Killed by a Tramp.

MOLINE, Ill, Feb 10—Saturday evening while Constable Reynolds, of New Windsor was reading a warrant of arrest to a tramp who had robbed a jewelry store in that place, the latter drew a revolver and shot the officer The tramp then jumped into the constable's rig and drove away A posse was in quick pursuit, but all trace of him was lost at Andover, a village fourteen miles distant The officer died this morning

## Fireman Crushed

PANA, Ill, Feb 12—George Herald, a fireman on an Illinois Central freight train, was crushed to death yesterday while preparing to coal his engine at the Penwell mine He was caught between the moving cab and the stationary coal chute The body was taken to Michigan for burial

## WASHINGTON LETTER.

(From our Regular Correspondent.)

WASHINGTON, D. C, Feb 10. 1896.

The caucus of Republican senators which nominated Mr W A Shaw, of Spokane, Wash, to be secretary of the senate, Mr H L Grant, of North Carolina, to be sergeant at arms, and Mr Alonzo Stewart, of Iowa, to be assistant doorkeeper, authorized Senator Sherman to call up the election of these officers whenever he sees fit, but he is not expected to do so until assured that they can be elected, in other words, until certain that at least one Populist will vote with the Republicans That leaves matters in an indefinite shape Senator Frye has been unanimously elected president pro tem, but when the other republican officials can be elected nobody knows It may be to morrow, it may be not at all

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The outlook for the house tariff bill is not encouraging, no matter whether Senator Quay's resolution to recommit the free coinage substitute, which the finance committee last week reported to the committee, be adopted or not If adopted there is nothing to show that Senator Jones, of Nevada, who holds the balance of power, will allow anything but a free coinage substitute to be reported from the committee And if it isn't adopted, there is little hope of getting the tariff bill through the senate

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The House will this week refuse to concur in the Senate free coinage substitute for the House bond bill, and the substitute will be sent to conference, where it is likely to remain

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The syndicate represented by Mr J Pierpont Morgan will get about one third of that bond issue, simply because its bid for the entire issue was a tiny fraction higher than that put in by the syndicate represented by another New York banker Whether Mr Morgan made his close shave by reason of advance information—he probably did—is a question, but the most important fact connected with Mr Morgan's bid was that, although the market quotation for these bonds was a little lower than it was last year when he made that private deal with Mr Cleveland for the $62,000,000 bond issue, and that these bonds will have one year less to run, his bid for these bonds was about seven cents on the dollar—$7,000,000 in all—in excess of the price he paid for the same bonds one year ago

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The report of the Nicaragua Canal Commission is not encouraging to congressional action on the canal, at least, not on the lines heretofore proposed In addition to nearly doubling the estimate of the cost of its construction, the report says plans must be changed, or it cannot be constructed at all A majority of both branches of congress favors the construction of the canal, but they are far from agreeing as to just how it should be done This will result in delaying anything like positive action

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Justice Brewer, president of the Venezuelan Boundary Commission, has made a public statement denouncing the stories published in sensational newspapers about the luxury and extravagance of the commission Justice Brewer says, and his word has never been doubted, that instead of being extravagant, the commission has been very economical, and that he expects it to continue to be economical until its work is completed

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Delegate Catron, of New Mexico, has received many congratulations for the cleverness he displayed in pushing his bill against prize fighting in the territories and district of Columbia through the house and senate without delay or even a single adverse vote The bill became a law as soon as it reached Mr Cleveland, who for once agreed with congress

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There is no doubt about the leading position Maine holds in this congress With Senator Frye president pro tem of the senate, Senator Hale chairman of the printing committee, Speaker Reed presiding over the house and Representatives Dingley, Boutelle and Milliken chairmen of three important house committees, surely Maine may be said to be "in it"

WOMEN are not the only ones who are sensitive about their ages A man doesn't like to be told that he is getting old A man doesn't like to get old at all But worse than getting old is the appearance of age Health keeps a man young It doesn't make any difference if he has lived eighty years If they have been healthy years he will be hale and hearty and won't look within twenty years as old as he is Good digestion and rich, red blood make people look youthful Dr Pierce's Golden Medical Discovery makes rich red blood It makes health in the right way It works according to the right theory and in 30 years of practice it has proved that the theory is absolutely correct It begins at the beginning—begins by putting the stomach, liver and bowels into perfect order, but it begins its good work on the blood before it finishes with the digestive system It searches out disease germs wherever they may be and forces them out of the body It promotes the copious secretion of the digestive fluids and assists in throwing off refuse matter It makes the appetite good and the digestion strong It isn't a violent medicine It isn't strong medicine It does nothing but good to every portion of the body It doesn't do harm in one place while it is helping another place It is meant to help the whole body and it does help it Whenever a man feels himself failing in health when he feels that he is getting old too fast that his vitality is low, and that he is losing flesh he should waste no time in getting the 'Golden Medical Discovery" It will build up quicker than anything else in the world It will give him rich blood and solid flesh It will make him feel half as old and twice as strong. Druggists sell it

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## Dress Goods Sales.

137 pieces Wool Dress Plaids at 15c, 25c and 50c a yard.
300 pieces Novelty Dress Goods at 15c, 19c and 29c yard
75 pieces Henriettas at 25c and 39c yard.
100 pieces Serges at 29c and 39c yard

## Linen Sale.

Our Annual Linen Sale will be continued. In addition we offer special inducements in Fancy Linens, new Lunch Cloths, Scarfs and Carver's Cloth, Doylies, Pillow Shams, etc
One gross 7x7 Momie Doylies, all pure linen, at 3c each
110 dozen Fine Linen Doylies, 7x7, at 5c each
Tray Cloths, stamped, new designs, 19c each.

## Wash Dress Goods.

Grandest line of Wash Dress Goods we have ever shown
100 pieces of Scotch Ginghams at 12½c yard.
75 pieces fine Zephyr Plaids at 15c yard.
Dimities, Organdies, etc., 10, 12½, 15, 20 and 25c yard.

## Dress Trimmings and Buttons.

New Spring Trimmings, spangle effects and jets, 10, 12½, 15, 20, 25, 35 and 49c yard
1000 dozen Buttons, this season's styles, from 5c to $2 each.

## Laces, Embroideries and Insertions.

All new Lace designs, in white, cream and black, price from 5c yard to $2 yard.
Embroideries—Strongest line ever shown by us and the lowest prices. Embroideries 3c to 75c yard. Insertions, 3c to 75c yard.

## Gloves and Ribbons.

New Gloves. New Ribbons.

## Millinery.

Flowers, Feathers, Hats. Early Spring Hats arriving every day. We are showing a strong line for early spring trade

## Wrappers.

Special opening sales in our Wrappers, worth $1.75, at 98c

## Opening Muslin Underwear Sale.

Ladies' Gowns 49, 75 and 98c, Skirts, 39, 49 and 75c, Corset Covers, 12½, 15 and 19c Drawers, 25, 35 and 49c, Children's Drawers, 9, 12½, 15 and 19c
Misses' and Children's Gowns

## Lace Curtains and Carpets.

Our new stock of Lace Curtains comprises the very latest designs and makes Call and see them and you will say it is the grandest line you ever looked at
Our Carpets are coming in every day, and that means all the new effects Rugs in endless variety.

## SPECIAL SALE !

Extract Cactus Complexion Soap, with Buttermilk and glycerine, 3 cakes in a box, worth 20c per box, special sale, until all are sold, 5c per box. Limit, 2 boxes to one customer We have to limit these as some people come and buy them to sell over at a profit.
Odd lot of Kid Gloves at 25c a pair
SKIRTS—Just received—the world renown Black Satin Moreen Stand-out Skirts, also Black Brilliantine Skirts that sold for $3 00 and 3 50, at 1 98.
Eight dozen Black Sateen Skirts, formerly sold for $1 00 and 1 25, at 49c
33 pieces Wash Silks at 25c yd

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# A DANVILLE MURDER

### Gus Klage, a Coal Miner, the Victim of an Assassin.

## REWARD OF $275 FOR THE SLAYER

### Robbery the Motive—Stabbing Affray in Which Two Men Were Shockingly Cut With Knives.

[Specials to Republican.]

DANVILLE, Ill., Feb. 10. Gus Klage, a coal miner, was found dead on Commercial street, in the east part of the city on Sunday morning with a wound in the back of the head, made with a blunt instrument. No doubt he was murdered, Saturday being pay day, and he was off. No clue to the murder. He leaves a wife and three children. The entire city is stirred up, and rewards aggregating $275 have been offered for the apprehension of the murderer.

STABBING AFFRAY.

DANVILLE, Feb. 10.—At 1 o'clock Sunday night, at the house of Rachel Lee on East Harrison street, William Way and William Lutes were terribly slashed by a knife in a row. Way was terribly cut in the face and Lutes had his throat cut from ear to ear. Way will recover, but Lutes will almost surely die. The man who did the cutting is known to the police and will probably be arrested today.

## NARROW ESCAPE FROM DEATH.

### Poison Found Prepared for an Aged Couple Near Arcola.

Mr. and Mrs. Martin Litt at Arcola Sunday evening prepared to go to a neighboring town to spend the day, and Mrs. Litt cooked the hired man's dinner and placed it on a shelf in the pantry. A plate of fried chicken was among the several articles cooked.

The hired man, it appears, did not eat much of the chicken, and when Mr. and Mrs. Litt returned home in the evening the latter set about to prepare a lunch.

The house dog, which was whining for his supper, was tossed a piece of the chicken and died in great agony in a few minutes. This aroused the suspicion of Mrs. Litt, who decided to investigate further by calling in the cat. The cat died in exactly ten minutes after eating the poisoned food.

It is thought someone entered the house after the departure of Mr. and Mrs. Litt and put poison in the victuals with the intention of poisoning the couple.

Funeral Saturday Evening.

Saturday evening at 7:30 o'clock the funeral of the late Mrs. Henry Wencke was held from the family residence, 913 East North street. Rev. R. G. Hobbs of Grace M. E. church conducted the service. The pall bearers were Ed Mattes, Harry Fisk, George Fisk, Tom McConnell, T. A. Cassell and Robert Clary. The body was taken to Aurora, Ind., for interment. Music for the occasion was furnished by a quartet composed of R. W. Chilson, Ed Mattes, Miss Belle Steele and Mrs George R. Steele. Lida Maud Rudspinner was born in Cochran, Ind., July 7, 1870, and was married to Henry T. Wencke June 9, 1892. She was educated in the public schools of Aurora, and united with the M. E. church in that city in 1881. The was a charter member of Aurora chapter No. 79, Order of the Eastern Star. She came with her husband to this city in 1892. She is survived by her father, mother, two brothers, two sisters, her husband and two little daughters, Mildred and Doris.

A Thriving Town.

The town which has passed all others of its class during the past year is Stonington, in Christian county. Over $50,000 has been expended during that time in new buildings, and the end of the boom is not yet. Two new churches, twenty-five dwellings, including a frame hotel, and two large brick business blocks, erected by Housley & Drake and M. J. Curran, make up the list. The first is used for the bank and general store, and the second contains Mr. Curran's harness and agricultural implement emporium. The new buildings are a credit to any town, and far superior to the average class of improvements. For the coming year other buildings are planned which will require the expenditure of large sums of money.


Our Annual Sale Of Muslin Underwear

Begins Monday, Feb. 10th, with prices lower than ever.

The Largest and Finest assortment of Reliable, Well-made Muslin, Cambric and Nainsook Undergarments ever placed on sale in this city.—Attend this sale and save money.

Mail Orders. Anything in the dry goods line can be satisfactorily ordered through our mail for department. Sample mailed free to any address.

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## COUNTY CENTRAL COMMITTEE.

### Republicans Will Meet Friday, Feb. 14, to Name Time for Holding County Convention.

A business meeting of the members of the Republican county central committee will be held at the city council rooms at the court house on Friday, Feb. 14, at 1:30 p. m. The committee will fix the time for holding the county delegate convention, which convention will select 15 delegates to the State, Congressional and Senatorial conventions. The members of the county central committee are:

R. P. Lytle, Chairman. J. M. Lee, Secretary.

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| Austin | Joshua Hubbard |
| Blue Mound | W. P. Stecker |
| Decatur 1st Dist. | W. H. Black |
| " 2d " | W. A. Holman |
| " 3d " | J. L. Thayer |
| " 4th " | Harry Hanshier |
| " 5th " | H. K. Midkiff |
| " 6th " | A. H. Mills |
| " 7th " | D. A. Mallt |
| " 8th " | J. H. McCoy |
| " 9th " | Ed. F. Wills |
| " 10th " | Frank Kramer |
| " 11th " | James Record |
| " 12th " | W. H. Spence |
| " 13th " | W. M. Lewis |
| " 14th " | C. L. Jones |
| Friends Creek | E. H. Thomas |
| Harristown | Lewis Stookey |
| Hickory Point | John H. McKinley |
| Illiad | R. R. Ballinger |
| Long Creek | R. F. McDonald |
| Macon | R. H. Woodcock |
| Maroa—1st District | C. F. Emery |
| Maroa—2d District | T. N. Leavitt |
| Milam | J. H. Guthra |
| Mt. Zion | J. B. Henry |
| Niantic | W. R. Dingman |
| Oakley | Cass Holcomb |
| Pleasant View | W. H. Bean |
| Whitland | John Ward |
| Whitmore | J. B. Moulthart |

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE.

R. P. Lytle, J. M. Lee,
D. A. Mallt, J. L. Thayer,
W. A. Holman, R. H. Woodcock
T. N. Leavitt.

## PEORIA GOT THE HOME.

### Board of Trustees Do Their Work on Tuesday Afternoon.

The board of trustees of the proposed Eastern Star Home for widows and orphans was in session in Peoria all day Tuesday. The body is composed of Mrs Mary Bradley, of Decatur, secretary; C. L. Hovey, of Decatur, grand patron of the Eastern Star Grand Chapter of Illinois, Mrs. May Brown, of Pana, grand matron; George Howison, of Chicago, president of the board, and Mrs. P. T. Chapman, of Vienna. At noon the board dined at the Hotel Fey in company with the following Peorians: Mrs. Ida C. Snyder, Mrs. Helen Baxter, Mrs C. N. Teeter, Mrs. J. M. Cole, Mrs. T. I. Ballentine, Mrs. S. A. Mayall, Mrs. Mary C. Orr, Mrs. Emma Wilton, Mrs. E. E. Main, C. W. Teeter, J. M. Cole and M. C. Hall and wife.

In the afternoon the board went out riding, especially with the view of looking upon a site of five acres offered free near Prospect Heights on the bluff.

In addition to the land the Peorians put up $5,000 in cash. The land is worth $10,000. After viewing the ground the board met and voted in favor of Peoria. It was nearly unanimous. Peoria got all but one of the seven votes. The town of Vienna got the other vote. There was no effort made for Decatur because the local members of the board were not fortified with an offer of land or cash sufficient to make a respectable showing.

Will Be a Candidate.

The bad weather has not caused the voter to lose sight of the fact that the spring elections are coming on and already favorite sons are being mentioned. A citizen met Mr. W. A. Holman this morning and requested that gentleman to state whether or not he would allow the use of his name this year as the Republican candidate for assessor of this township. "Well," said that gentleman, "I have given the matter some thought and have made up my mind to make the race. I have held the office one term, have acted as deputy several years, and assessed Hickory Point township for five years, so you see I have practical knowledge of the business, which counts for a great deal. I shall offer my name to the voters of this township, and if they see fit to give me the office you may be assured they shall have my best services."

Spurlin Case Settled.

On Monday afternoon the Spurlin heirs met at the office of B. F. Shipley in this city, the object being to effect a settlement of the suit then pending in the circuit court. In the will of the late Reuben Spurlin his three daughters were not given a portion of the estate. The estate comprises 160 acres of land six miles east of Maroa. Suit was brought several months ago to have the will set aside, and the case came up in the circuit court last month, but was postponed until the June term. In the meantime efforts were made to reach a compromise, and this was finally accomplished last Monday, the daughters agreeing to accept $1,000 each as part of the estate.—*Maroa Times.*

DID you ever stop to think what indigestion really means? It means simply that your stomach is tired. If our legs are tired, we ride. The horse and the steam engine do the work. Why not give your stomach a ride; that is, let something do its work. Foods can be digested outside the body. All plants contain digestive principles which do this. The Shaker Digestive Cordial contains digestive principles, and is a preparation designed to rest the stomach. The Shakers themselves have such unbounded confidence in it that they have placed 10 cent sample bottles on the market, and it is said that even so small a quantity proves beneficial in a vast majority of cases. All druggists keep it.

Laxol is the best medicine for children. Doctors recommend it in place of Castor Oil.

Oliver T. Atchison.

Oliver T. Atchison, mayor of Lovington, was in the city to-day. Mr Atchison is a candidate for representative on the Democratic ticket for that district. He is a popular gentleman, and will make a good showing in his preliminary contest.

# STATE CONVENTION.

### Call For the Delegate Assembly at the Capital April 29.

## TO BE 1335 IN THE CONVENTION

### Basis of Representation to Be Only One Delegate for Every 300 Votes Cast for Republican Electors in 1892 and One for Each Fraction Thereof of Not Less Than 150 Votes.

The Republican State Central committee has issued the formal call for the state convention. It is as follows:

"By direction of the Illinois Republican State Central committee the Republican voters of the several counties of the state are requested to send delegates to a state convention to be held at Springfield on Wednesday, April 29, 1896, at 12 o'clock noon, for the purpose of placing in nomination candidates to be voted for at the November election, 1896, for the following offices in the order named, to-wit:

Governor, Lieutenant Governor, Secretary of State, Auditor of Public Accounts, State Treasurer, Attorney-General, Three Trustees of the University of Illinois.

"Also to nominate two Electors at Large and one Elector from each congressional district in the state, to be selected by the delegates to the said convention from each district, except where candidates for Elector have before that time been selected in congressional district conventions.

"Also to elect four delegates at large and four alternates at large to the National Republican convention.

"Also for the transaction of such other business as may properly come before it.

"Except where conventions for a like purpose shall be otherwise called, the delegates from the several counties comprising the several grand divisions of the Supreme court and the several Appellate court districts will meet in separate conventions immediately after the adjournment of the state convention and nominate one candidate for clerk of the Supreme court in each of said grand divisions, and one candidate for clerk of the Appellate court in each of said Appellate court districts.

"The said state convention will be composed of delegates from the several counties of the state of Illinois, to be chosen by Republican county conventions held for that purpose. The number of delegates and the manner of their selection shall be as hereinafter provided.

BASIS OF REPRESENTATION.

The basis of representation for the several counties will be one delegate for every 300 votes cast for the presidential electors in 1892, and one for each fraction thereof of not less than 150 votes. The delegates from Cook county shall be selected by wards and committeemen's districts, in county convention assembled, and shall be so called in the state convention.

The counties in the Seventh congressional district will be represented by delegates as follows:

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| Christian county | 10 |
| Macon " | 15 |
| Menard " | 4 |
| Logan " | 9 |
| Sangamon " | 20 |
| Moultrie " (Sen. Dist) | 4 |

The call is signed by T. N. Jamieson, chairman: C. A. Partridge, secretary.

Home From the West.

Dr. E. B. Walston, who has been traveling in the west for the past three weeks arrived home this morning. The doctor was much pleased with the west. He visited the Cripple Creek mining district and says that it is a wonderful place. The town itself does not amount to much as a city but it is full of prospectors and adventurers and every house is crowded to its utmost capacity. At the postoffice 40,000 persons from that part of the state get their mail. All of the mining claims for fifty miles around Cripple Creek are taken up and being worked. Dr. Walston visited the Independence mine, which is the largest mine in that part of the country, and saw them dig out the gold ore. He says that there is small chance for a new-comer in the place now, as the gold district is now over crowded. Dr. Walston visited the ice palace at Leadville, and he says that one sight is worth the trip to Colorado. The palace is a skating rink, and is built of blocks of ice and lighted with electricity. The lights are arranged in the wall between the blocks of ice, making the effect wonderful. The doctor was especially pleased with Denver, and says that it is one of the greatest cities in the country; the houses and streets, he says, are as good as those in Chicago. He returned home by way of El Paso, Texas, and

Sales of Real Estate.

Vattie Sharrock to H. B. Kirkpatrick, lots 28, 29, blk 7, J. A. Hayward's div Pana—$1,600.

Matthew Hughes to Eliza Hughes, lot 7, block 35, Higgins' addition Pana—$100.

Matthew Hughes to Eliza Hughes, lot 9, 10, 11, 12, North Pana—$100.

Harriet E. Lusk to Frank Hunelbrink south half, south west quarter, sec. 22, 14, 2 west—$5,000.

George Pasfield to John Matthew, north half, south west quarter and south-west quarter, south east quarter, sec. 8, 15, 2 west—$1,050.

William Smith to J. W. Cherry, lot 13 block 19, Carver's addition—$1.

Elmer E. Gibson et al to J. W. Osgood, lot 7, Woodland addition—$900.

Christopher Smith to J. W. Cherry, lot 13, block 19, Carver's addition—$1.

Mary Smith to J. W. Cherry, lot 13, block 19, Carver's addition—$1.

Philipena Haywood to J. W. Cherry, lot 13, block 19—Carver's addition—$1

Danger in Coughs and Colds.

A neglected cough is a source of imminent danger to all. Ballard's Horehound Syrup is *guaranteed to cure* the worst cough, whooping cough, sore throat and all other coughs. J. W. Eichinger and C. F. Schilling.

A BICYCLE show is to be held at Danville the first week in March.

## PETER PERL HAS A HOPE.

### Judge Creighton Decides for Ex-Sheriff Murray in the Case by the County.

Springfield Journal.

Judge Creighton in the circuit court rendered his decision in the suit brought by Sangamon county against ex-Sheriff Murray in which he found issues for the defendant. The suit was brought for the recovery of $228 claimed to be due the county for services during the session of the county board of supervisors at $3 per day. It was alleged that this amount was earned by Murray but not accounted for in his reports. Judge Creighton holds that from the evidence produced at the trial these amounts were collected from time to time from the county treasurer and were not regarded as a part of the fees of the sheriff's office. He furthermore holds that the board desired Murray's presence at the meetings and that as they agreed to allow him this compensation regardless of his office fees, he was not responsible and as he had collected the fees according to the precedent laid down by the board, a report of such fees was not necessary and he was not indebted to the county in this respect.

The above clipping was sent to the REPUBLICAN in the mail by ex Sheriff Peter Perl, who is now a resident of Springfield. Mr. Perl adds these words of comment: "If Judge Creighton's decision is correct Macon county owes me about $225 00, and the first time I come to Decatur I expect to bring it home in my inside vest pocket. Now don't think this is a put-up job between Judge Creighton and myself to get my $100 back, for such is not the case." It is quite evident that Mr. Perl will not soon forget the fact that on a memorable occasion Judge Creighton caused him to pony up $100 in cash at Taylorville as a fine for alleged contempt for failing to serve papers sent to him from Christian county because the fees did not accompany the order.

## NEIGHBORHOOD NEWS.

Casner.

The moving season is now almost on and a great many are getting ready to change locations.

Dr. Patterson's father-in-law, Mr. John Trenholm, departed for his home Thursday, at Rochelle, Ill. He and his wife visited the Doctor's family about a week.

Miss Nettie Goodpasture is staying with the family of W. A. Underwood.

Where is McKinley? He's in the push!

Henry Mahannah sold his personal effects Thursday. He will retire from the farming business.

The Woodmen took two candidates through the fraternal mysteries of woodcraft Saturday night.

There was no school Tuesday on account of the central examination at Prairie Hall.

Married, at the home of the bride's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Late Sanders, near Long Creek on Sunday, Miss Flora Sanders and Mr. Frank Oder, Rev. A. M. Dandy officiating.

Rev. Dillavou, the boy preacher, discoursed to a large audience Sunday.

The Woodmen have decided to hold their regular meetings on the first and third Mondays of each month.

Joseph Roby is very sick. He had been ailing but was better when he took a backset. He is now in a critical condition.

Blue Mound.

C. S. Lewis received a telegram from his wife this morning from Goldthwait, Texas, announcing the death of her father, Lewis M. Clements, at that place yesterday evening. Mrs Lewis received a letter some four weeks ago informing her that her father was very low and that he wished to see her before he died, and she went at once and remained with him till he died. Mr. Lewis expects her home Friday.

Lewis M. Clements came from Indiana to this state in 1860 and remained here until about 1887, when he sold his farm near Mowequa to R. R. Garden, now of Decatur, and went to Texas where he has since lived. He was 77 years old last May.

Johnny Adair, a little grandchild of Mrs. J. B. Bundy, is very sick with lung fever.

W. H. Firey is down sick again but is not considered seriously ill.

Mrs. Riley Margret, who has been sick with la grippe for three weeks, is getting considerably better and will probably be up in a few days.

J. K. Hardy is improving slowly.

Miss Willie Winter, of Decatur, is visiting her friend, Nellie Bankson, here.

Mrs. Hugh Glassford of Decatur is visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. R. Johnson, of this village.

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Latham.

The 29th of January being Dr. Benson's 77th birthday a number of his friends concluded to surprise him, which they did. It was arranged to have the old folks, but old and young were there from the age of 20down to the tot of a few months. The ladies took charge of the kitchen and prepared a dinner fit for a king. I observed the pastor of the M. E. church and wife were present and did ample justice to the yellow-legged chicken. I think probably 40 ate dinner. They all appeared to enjoy the day though the Doctor was laid up for several days after.

I understand C. A. Tebo has started a new paper called the "Tribune." If it takes after its ancestors the New York or Chicago "Tribune" it will be all right.

Outten.

Allen Cleve visited Chas. Gregory Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. T. J. Vowell were in Decatur Wednesday.

Chas. Gregory visited his parents in Lovington on Friday.

Iva Gregory visited the Misses Patterson at Lovington Saturday and Sunday.

Erb and Fred Britton paid a business visit to Decatur on Monday.

Cottage prayer meeting was very well attended on Friday night. Quite a number were over from Mt. Zion.

Feb. 11, '96.

Letter List.

The following is a list of letters remaining uncalled for at the Decatur, Ill., postoffice February 11, 1896. Please say advertised when called for:

GENTS' LIST.

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| Allen H P | Moore L N |
| Barnes A S | Myers W P |
| Calhoun Willie | Patrick E V |
| Dalton C E | Pierce Derry |
| Evans A Q | Price L D |
| Fisher Harry | Proctor Ralph |
| Fleckinger A | Ross Will |
| Fruit N J | Rucker Chas |
| Gethro Frederick | Scott O M |
| Hall Louis | Smith G H |
| Holaker John | Trimble N |
| Kemmer J W | Trout L M |
| Ker Walter | Ware Howard |
| Lohr O S | Warren Will |
| Laughlin Ben | Williams Clifford |
| McCune Robert | Williams W F |

LADIES' LIST.

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| Adams E R | Lockwood Mary |
| Blackburn Mrs P | Mills Annie |
| Bendetrio | Mossen Hattie |
| Brockelsby F | Nendigate Frances |
| Craig Lizzie | Nichols Mrs Lee |
| French Mrs Chas | Schriever Lizzie |
| Fundersmith Lena | Settles Eliza |
| Gilbert Anna | Wilson Lizzie |
| Grubb S W | Wilson May |

JERRY DONAHUE, P. M.

THE city council of Farmer City last week declared the offices of marshal and night police vacant. Mayor Sangster refused to declare the vacancy, and thus the matter stands.

THE charity ball at Farmer City last week netted the sum of $139 60, which will be distributed among the needy of that city.

THE dispatcher's office of the Lake Erie & Western is, it is said to be removed from Lafayette to Rankin.


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Save Your Dollars.

THE FAIR L. A. WEAVER & CO.

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|---|---|
| 5000 copies of Sheet Music, worth from 30 to 75c per copy | 3c |
| Large size Decorated Cuspidor, handsome decorations, none worth less than 25c | 10c |
| Buttermilk Soap, a regular 10c article, 3 in box, this week | 15c |
| The Sun Stove Polish, the best on earth, large box | 5c |
| Mixed Bird Seed, the best bird food to be had | 5c |
| Lamp Chimneys, best flint glass, No. 1 or 2 | 5c |
| Novels, by the best authors, a regular 25c book | 10c |
| 24 Sheets of Shelf Paper, in fancy colors | 5c |
| Chamber Pails, made of best tin and japanned fancy color | 35c |
| Clothes Wringer. You can have the wood or iron frame or | $1.48 |
| Wash Boilers, heavy tin, copper bottom | 75c |
| Granite Wash Basin, the best goods | 20c |
| Double Washboards, a regular 30c one | 19c |

NO PLACE LIKE THE FAIR FOR BARGAINS


EXECUTOR'S NOTICE.

Estate of George W. Nicholson deceased.

The undersigned having been appointed executor of the estate of George W. Nicholson, late of the county of Macon, and State of Illinois, deceased, hereby gives notice that he will appear before the County Court of Macon county, at the court house in Decatur, at the April term on the first Monday in April next, at which time all persons having claims against said estate are notified and requested to attend for the purpose of having the same adjusted. All persons indebted to said estate are requested to make immediate payment to the undersigned.

Dated this 3d day of February, 1896.

JAMES W. TURNER Executor.

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| were 50c, now | 40c |
| were 60c, now | 50c |
| were 75c, now | 60c |
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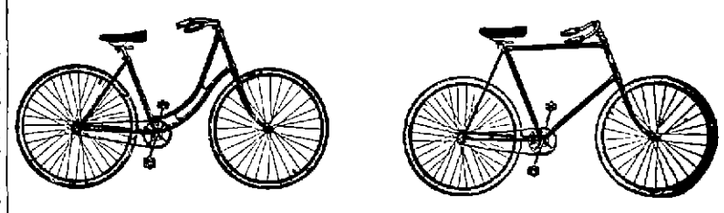

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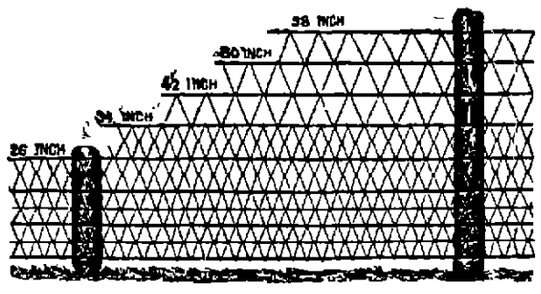


If you will use the ELWOOD FIELD FENCE.

It is easily put up and makes a fence so strong that it is next to impossible to break it, and it is so close woven that it is at once pig and chicken tight. It is as cheap as the woven wire picket fence and far more durable. Come and see a sample set up. Remember we have anything you want in the implement line.

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### 25 per cent Discount

**On all Heavy-Weight Men's and Boy's Suits, Overcoats, Underwear and Pantaloons. Never were goods so cheap as now, and 25 per cent equals one-fourth off our Very Low Prices. All New and Stylish Goods.**

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| Men's | $ 6.50 | Suits and Overcoats | | $ 4.87 |
| Men's | 8.00 | " " | " | 6.00 |
| Men's | 10.00 | " " | " | 7.50 |
| Men's | 12.00 | " " | " | 9.00 |
| Men's | 15.00 | " " | " | 11.25 |

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| Boys' | $2 50 | Suits and Overcoats | | $1 50 |
| Boys' | 3 00 | " " | " | 1 88 |
| Boys' | 3 00 | " " | " | 2 25 |
| Boys' | 3 50 | " " | " | 2 63 |
| Boys' | 4 00 | " " | " | 3 00 |
| Boys' | 5 00 | " " | " | 3 95 |

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Linen Collars, 5c Linen Cuffs, 15c

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**Weak Nervous Men** who have [illegible] consult the undersigned [illegible]

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Diseases of the eye [illegible]

**Ear Diseases** such as [illegible]

**Catarrh** [illegible]

**Lung, Liver, Heart Diseases** [illegible]

**Hemorrhoids** (piles) cured in one treatment No pain and no detention from work A positive cure guaranteed

### Nervous Diseases.

Epilepsy nervous prostration rheumatism [illegible]

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# MORGAN WANTED.

**The Wabash Engineer to be Prosecuted for Criminal Carelessness**

## CANNOT BE FOUND IN DECATUR

**Order by Telegraph to Arrest Morgan on Sight and Hold Him—Wanted at Edwardsville**

The following telegram is the business echo of the fatal collision on the Wabash which occurred Tuesday night

EDWARDSVILLE, Ill, Feb 5—Coroner Kinder this morning concluded the inquest on the body of Charles F Hoff, of Decatur, the fireman who was killed in the head end collision between two freight trains on the Wabash railroad, near Carpenter yesterday afternoon The jury returned a verdict holding S A Morgan, of Decatur, engineer of the through freight, guilty of criminal carelessness, and a warrant was issued for his arrest Morgan was summoned to testify before the coroner to day, but did not appear It is learned that he formerly had a passenger run, but for some reason was given a freight run

Yesterday Marshal Mason received a message from the sheriff at Edwardsville to arrest Morgan and hold him Immediately an effort was made to capture Morgan, but he could not be found He had come in from Edwardsville Tuesday night at 11 o'clock and had gone to his home on East William street Then he disappeared He did not tell his wife where he was going and did not say when he would return

Thus far the police have failed to locate Morgan

## HIGHWAY COMMISSIONERS

**Interpretation of the New Law From the Attorney General's Office.**

In reply to a query as to how highway commissioners shall be elected under the new law Assistant Attorney General Newell renders the following opinion

'Under the act of 1895 providing for the election of highway commissioners, I am of the opinion that the township should elect the commissioners at the town meetings in April the same as under the former law, and that the board of commissioners as then constituted will, under the new law, divide the township into three districts, and after that when a vacancy occurs in the office of commissioner it must be filled by a resident of the district where the vacancy occurs"

**Held for Assault**

Charles Wolfe, a brakeman employed on the Wabash, was turned over to the custody of the sheriff to day, charged with an assault with intent to kill, alleged to have been committed on W B Cowan, a conductor, on whose train the prisoner was braking According to Constable Temple, of Sidney, the assault was committed in the Wabash depot at Sidney last Friday night It seems that hard feelings had existed for some time between the men The train was due at Sidney at 2 a m, and the conductor was in the act of signing an order book, when Wolfe seized an iron poker and struck the conductor over the head rendering him insensible The Wabash company is prosecuting the case Wolfe is held to the grand jury in $1,000 bonds —*Champaign Gazette*

**With Us Again**

The comic valentines have already made their appearance They are fearfully constructed, as hideously ugly, and as offensive to good taste as ever To the old standbys of the trade, mashers, dudes, musicians, bachelors, policemen, old maids and other perennial caricatures have been added a dozen especially atrocious monstrosities, designed to ridicule the bicycle girl, while the 'new woman' idea has given birth to a score of travesties on mannishly attired women and poor henpecked men in skirts, caring for babies and attending to household duties

**A Pirate**

Some country editor who has more time than business has studied out the following [illegible] is the most unfortunate letter in the English alphabet, because it is never in cash always in debt and never out of danger Our exchange forgets that the aforesaid letter is never in war, but always in peace It is the beginning of existence the commencement of ease and the end of trouble Without it there would be no bread, no meat, no winter, no life no gospel, no hell, no heaven

## SICK HEADACHE

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They also relieve Distress from Dyspepsia, Indigestion and Too Hearty Eating. A perfect remedy for Dizziness, Nausea, Drowsiness, Bad Taste in the Mouth, Coated Tongue Pain in the Side, TORPID LIVER. They Regulate the Bowels. Purely Vegetable.

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## SEEKING THE FACTS.

**Inquests Over the Bodies of the Victims of the Saloon Riot.**

WHITING Ind Feb 8—The fatal riot of Thursday afternoon is still the foremost topic of general conversation throughout the town The excitement among the foreigners has abated to a considerable extent and peace has been restored among the foreign classes that have been at war so long

The saloon where the fatal disturbance occurred was the object of much curiosity yesterday The interior of the building is just as it was left when the last of the rioters were driven away Liquor floods the floors the bar is overturned and broken glass is everywhere

The inquest over the bodies of Emory Matchett and Steve Szinyo was begun yesterday The rooms were crowded to their utmost capacity, and hundreds of men and women were turned away from the doors

The testimony of the inquest presented some startling developments. It was expected that the real guilt for the crime would fall on the saloonkeeper Joseph Manovitik, but the testimoney goes against his wife Mrs Manovitik practically admits to shooting into the crowd of Hungarians, but claims she is not responsible for the death of either The inquest will be continued to day

## RUSSIA OPPOSES

**The Entry of an American Dispatch Boat to the Dardanelles**

CONSTANTINOPLE, Feb 8—The porte, in response to the request of Hon A W Terrell the American minister that United States be granted permission to have a dispatch boat at Constantinople, maintains that the Dardanelles being regulated by an international agreement, the United States should apply for the desired permission to the six powers that signed the treaty of Berlin

It is stated that Russia is opposed to the entry of an American dispatch boat, hence the portes hesitation to grant Mr Terrell's request

## 'TWAS GUILTY FEAR

**And Not Insanity that Led to Fred Hellman's Crime**

CHICAGO, Feb 8—The fact developed yesterday that Fred Hellman who asphyxiated himself wife and four children at their Cornelia street homee the night of July 1 last was not insane when he committed the deed but that he deliberately destroyed himself and family because he had learned that his real wife and children whom he had left in Germany, were coming here having learned of his whereabouts When he left his home in Germany he promised to send for his wife and children but soon after his arrival here married the woman he murdered telling her that he was a single man

A few days after the horrible crime had been committed the widow and her children arrived from Germany and are living in the house Hellman owned

## NOT SO BAD AS REPORTED

**Only Six Men Drowned by the Collapse of the Bristol Bridge**

HARTFORD, Conn Feb 8—There is no doubt that six men were drowned in the falling of the railroad bridge across the Pequabuck river between Forestville and Bristol, Thursday night Railroad men are confident that this number covers the list of dead

Daniel J O Brien's body was recovered Thursday night and yesterday morning three other bodies were recovered as they were floating past the Forestville depot

Section Foreman William T Barry of East Hartford will die Four or five of the other men rescued are in bad shape through shock and exposure

The new bridge was put in position yesterday afternoon and trains are running regularly

The coroner will begin his inquiry into the cause of the disaster at once

**Nominated for Sergeant at Arms of the Senate**

WASHINGTON Feb 8—The republican caucus nominated Maj H H Grant, of North Carolina, for sergeant at arms of the senate

**Prevented from Murdering His Wife John C Woodhead Solicites.**

MORRISTOWN Pa, Feb 8—John C Woodhead of Harleysville attempted to kill his wife Thursday night, but was prevented by his 11 year old son, who knocked the revolver from his hand after he had succeeded in firing one bullet into his wife's body Woodhead succeeded in regaining the revolver and fired a bullet into his brain, and died shortly afterwards No reason is given for the shooting Woodhead only recently moved here from Columbus O

**The Barton Relief Party Again En Route**

PARIS Feb 8—Miss Clara Barton president of the American Red Cross society with her party started for Geneva yesterday She will go from Geneva to Vienna and thence direct to Constantinople

**Quite.**

The Coquette Finding that her heart
Was really quite affected
By tricky little Cupid's dart
Wrote thus to one rejected

On second thought I really find
To favor you I am inclined

The jilted one who otherwhile spent
Much time in meditation
Responded without sentiment
To this kind invitation

On second thought I clearly see
Already you have favored me
—Ella R Pearce in Brooklyn Life

**Home.**

The sweetest and the dearest word
That ever from human lips was heard
Is home and with a glamsome thrill
Of joy we hear while or fill
It tells us of a happy place
It brings us near a vanished face
It turns us from the cares and tears
Of life to childhood's golden years
Away from hours when sorrows fall
Like snow upon the heart and all
Our nature yearns and cries each day
For cot or palace far away
No matter though for years we roam
We long we watch we wait for home
—A M Brunner in Young Men's Era

**Critic and Poet.**

"Thou shalt do this and undo that" the tollsome critic said
But the poet strayed to Helicon and touched his lips instead
Across the mirror of the fount he saw fair visions pass
But never once the critic face dark frowning from the glass
The poet seized his tuneful lyre and joyfully sang he
"O hear! O hear!" the critic cried, "he learned that song of me!"
—Ida W Benham, in Century.

# A FIEND INCARNATE.

**Whipped His Seven-Year-Old Daughter to Death with**

## A RAWHIDE BOUGHT FOR THE PURPOSE.

**The Dead Child's Body Cut to the Bone and Discolored from Bruises--Rubbed Beefs' Gall into the Gaping Wounds.**

JACKSON Mich Feb 8—Jerry Scott, a colored man of Blackman township, is under arrest for whipping his seven year old daughter to death Thursday Scott admits whipping her for soiling her bedding but claims that she died from kidney trouble

On Monday he brought a rawhide with which the death blows were struck in his anger at not getting rid of her Her legs are marked in a score of places and on her hands and arms and left shoulder the cuts which seem to have been made with terrible blows by a whip or some sharp instrument The flesh is cut clear down to the shoulder bone The eyes of the dead child are also black and swollen showing that she had been struck in the face many times

At the inquest Thomas A King testified that Scott went to the child's bedroom Tuesday made her take off her night dress and get on her knees then he beat her with a strap for nearly half an hour She cried out

'Pa you are killing me, but he heartlessly replied

'D—n you I couldn't kill you if I tried your hide is too thick—its evil that ails you that's all

After completing his fiendish work Scott rubbed beef gall into her wounds and put salt in her hands, to bring her out of her spasms' he said

Excitement here is at the highest possible pitch and lynching is freely talked of An extra guard has been placed over the prisoner and no one is allowed to view the child's remains for fear that a mob would be immediatly formed to hang the father

## BECOMES A LAW

**Anti Prize Fight Bill Signed by Reed Frye and the President**

WASHINGTON, D C Feb 7—Speaker Reed signed the anti prize fight bill at 2 10 this afternoon President pro tem Frye of the senate also signed the bill

The President signed the bill at 4 35 o'clock

## M'KINLEY BADGES

**They Are to be Manufactured by a New England Firm**

BOSTON, Mass, Feb 8 Right in the center of Speaker Reed's bailiwick there is said to have been placed last week an order for the manufacture of more than one million campaign badges, each and every one of which is to bear a miniature likeness of William McKinley The order was placed with the usual secrecy hinging about the campaign movements of the ex governor's political lieutenants but enough has leaked out to show that the order was sent east two weeks since by the Cleveland crowd, and placed with a novelty manufacturing concern in this state by the Boston representatives of the Ohio statesman chief among whom is a brother in law of Governor McKinley Besides the practical use to which the badges will be put, this latest move of the McKinley people is considered among politicians an effective way of distributing in New England some of the campaign funds coming out of Cleveland and other cities of the Buckeye state

## GRUMBLE AT INSURANCE RATES

**Broom Corn Men of Arcola Claim They Are Unjustly Taxed**

ARCOLA, Ill, Feb 8—Considerable dissatisfaction is apparent here among farmers and local buyers of broom corn, owing to the high rate of insurance on corn stored in warehouses in this city Many farmers in this vicinity are hauling their crops to other towns for storage, claiming that the rate at these places is much less than is quoted here Within the last six months and since the city has been equipped with excellent fire protection, the rate has been raised from $1 75 to $2 50 and $4 10 per $100 The matter will be investigated and if possible a remedy discovered The city council at the last session passed an ordinance taxing foreign insurance companies doing business in this city 2 per cent of the gross premiums received by local agents

**Hoarded Money and Died in Poverty.**

PLAINFIELD N J Feb 8—Mrs Lilza Stephenson who lived alone in two rooms in Stiger's alley, a poor portion of the city is dead Mrs Stephenson had no relatives here and so a doctor visited her rooms to see what arrangements he could make for her burial There he found a little hobbing hanging on a hook and on looking into it he was startled to see a note for a considerable amount of money made payable to her He then searched the house and found another note for a large sum and after an investigation discovered six notes ranging in sums from $100 to $600 made in her favor A bank book was also found in the hand bag The total amount of notes and deposits approximates $10 000

## REPUBLICAN CONVENTION

**The Ohio Republican State Convention Called for March 10**

COLUMBUS, O, Feb 8—The Republican state central committee met to day and decided that the state convention be held at Columbus March 10 and that J B Foraker be temporary chairman A ringing resolution was adopted endorsing McKinley for president

**A Paxton McKinley Club**

PAXTON, Ill, Feb 7 The Paxton McKinley Club was organized here last evening by electing F W Blonney president, C A Norgreen vice president E N Stevens secretary, and H W Mason treasurer There already are nearly 100 members rolled

**Death of J D Taylor**

PONTIAC, Ill, Feb 8 Mrs J D Taylor, an old resident of this county, died last evening about 7 15 after an illness of two months He was born in 1823 and lived in this county a long time He was a friend to everyone who knew him He was a supervisor from Livingston Point for six years His funeral will be held at his late residence Sunday afternoon at 2 30 o clock

THE Champaign County Farmers' Institute will be held at Urbana on the 26th and 27th of this month

TWENTY FIVE ladies, all more than 70 70 years of age, attended a violet luncheon given by a Springfield lady of 79

## A FREE EDUCATION

**Who Will Be the Bright Macon County Student to Get It?**

The state of Illinois will give to one young person in each county in the state one four years course of instruction in the State University at Champaign free of charge A competitive examination will be held at the respective court houses June 5th and 6th to determine who will get the prize The contest is open to girls as well as boys and it presents an admirable opportunity to procure an education at one of the best universities in the world Particulars may be had of the school superintendents of the respective counties

**His Position Made Him**

As the Chesapeake & Ohio train was pulling out of Covington for Cincinnati last Saturday night an Irish laborer with his regulation tin dinner can and clay pipe stepped into one of the cars, and putting his pail on the floor, ensconced himself in a comfortable seat with his pipe in one corner of his mouth A moment later the brakeman came in and, looking around espied the Irishman Leaning over he tapped the man on the shoulder and said

'If you want to smoke go forward to the smoking car

The Irishman looked at him coolly for a moment and replied 'I'm not schmokin, man

"You've got your pipe in your mouth haven't you

'Faith yes replied the son of Erin 'an I've got me fut in me boot, but I'm not walkin —*Maysville Public Ledger*

**Prices of Cattle**

Chicago *Drovers Journal* The price of good feeding cattle and good fat cattle are about as near together as they ever have been There is scarcely 50 cents difference and some country shippers who sold good 1400 pound feeders and wanted to buy desirable 1050 pound feeders declared a few days ago that there wasn't any difference Feed is so cheap and plentiful that there doesn't need to be as much difference in price as usual though the gap should be wider than it is to give feeders any kind of a show The price of feeding cattle is not extremely high for this time of year but the price of fat cattle is unusually low There seems to be almost no demand for light stock cattle Buyers want something they can turn back to market in a comparatively short time

**A New Life of Grant**

For upwards of two years the publishers of McClure's Magazine have been quietly gathering material and pictures for a new life of Gen Grant They believe that they have made a larger collection of portraits of Grant (many of them rare) and other pictures relating to his life than has ever been made before This biography will bring out the real Grant in the same vivid, thorough and interesting manner as Lincoln is presented in the 'Life' now running in McClure's They have been fortunate in securing the co operation of Col F D Grant who has most of his father's papers

## FAITHFUL TO PLIGHTED TROTH

**Constancy for Forty Years Followed by Marriage in Ohio.**

Unusual constancy has ended in a wedding, which was solemnized the other day at Gilboa, 12 miles southeast of Napoleon O The contracting parties were George W Wisegiver and Mrs Anna Kelly each aged over 60 years When young they were engaged but the girl's parents opposed their marriage because Mr Wisegiver was poor Two weeks ago her father died and the mother having been dead several years the aged couple who had continued faithful to each other decided to marry For 40 years they have lived close neighbors The groom in his long life has made considerable wealth and they will now experience uninterrupted love and ease

**What She Was Thankful For**

There was a good deal of solid humor in a time in the unexpected reply of the dying old woman to her minister's leading question 'Here at the end of a long life which of the Lord's mercies are you most thankful for?' Her eyes brightened as she answered 'My victuals

**A Bronze Crown**

The royal crown of Roumania is made of bronze the metal of cannon having done service in the shape of cannons, cannons of metal from different guns each captured from some enemy are included in the make up of this oddly constructed imperial insignia

**An Abyssin in Superstition.**

Among the Christians in Abyssinia there is a superstition that on Christmas eve lions are perfectly harmless, becoming so through the sanctity of the occasion

**British Fisheries**

The value of the fish taken during the past year at the whole of the fishing ports of the United Kingdom reached the total of $7 200 000

## SMILE PROVOKERS.

Miss Elderly—'She said she heard I was engaged" Lena—'How nice of her"—Truth

Equal to Emergencies—Country Editor—'What's the matter now?' Pressman—'We're out of ink" 'Well rub the rollers with the office towel"—N Y Weekly

Peter—'This is an awful big bill for Turkish baths Why do you go there so often?' Daughter—'Where else can a girl go who has nothing to wear'—Truth

Another Excuse—Mistress—'You have a soldier in the kitchen What is he doing there?' Housemaid—'Learning cooling please mum'—Humoristische Blatter

Mrs Crimsonbeak—'I see the minister announces a sermon to pugilists' Mr Crimsonbeak—'Yes I guess he'll put 'em to sleep without gloves'—Yonkers Statesman

What She Was Meant For—A lady of great beauty and attractiveness who was an ardent admirer of Ireland, once crowned her praise of it at a party by saying 'I think I was meant for an Irishwoman" "Madam,' rejoined a witty son of Erin, who happened to be present 'thousands would back me in saying that you were meant for an Irishman,"—Tit-Bits.


# Army Exposure.

## MORE MEN KILLED BY THAT THAN BY WOUNDS

**A Straightforward Statement by a Veteran.**

*From the Argus Robinson, Ill*

Mr R P Mighee a substantial and well known farmer and stock raiser of Crawford County Illinois met a reporter one day last week and told him the result of his exposure during army service 'I enlisted in Company H 126 Illinois Infantry Volunteers in January 1865 The regiment went almost immediately South, and after a few days stop at Nashville where we were quartered in a very much crowded and exposed building we were sent to Tullahoma, Tenn, we went into camp and remained there four months

'The weather was most inclement at first, cold rains snow and sleet and we had no opportunity of becoming inured to camp life We were insufficiently provided with tents and had no material or means for the construction of barracks or opportunity to make other provision for protection against the elements The result was a great amount of colds and worse sickness resulting from this exposure I had more than my full share of colds and although I did not feel its immediate effects within a year or so I began to have occasional pains in my limbs which grew on me, until within ten or fifteen years afterward I was seriously afflicted and commenced doctoring with such remedies as I could hear of after having tried home physicians and remedies without anything more than temporary relief or respite

The affliction grew on me and my lower limbs became swollen in fact times the pain was almost unbearable I have tried a dozen or more remedies and of these some that were known to give relief to others if not a permanent cure I was almost ready to give up in despair owing to the peculiar nature of my affliction and the manner in which it had come on At about this time Dr. Williams Pink Pills for Pale People were recommended to me Before I had used the first box of these pills I began to feel better, the nervousness with which I was troubled began to disappear and my appetite returned I rested well at nights the swelling left my limbs and I began to pick up in flesh and gather in strength I have not at indeed the use of the pills and shall not so long as I feel they are carrying off the germs of disease from my form It even should they be the means of enabling me to keep my pension'

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Ladies' 40c extra fine gauge fancy Cotton Hose --black boots and striped and plain and colored tops—in drop stitched, richelieu ribbed, and plain—the very newest colorings—special 25c

**19c a pair--**

Ladies' and Children's Hosiery, 25, 30 and 50c quality, in wool and fleece, go at 19c

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Gent's All Wool Socks, were 25, 30 and 35c a pair, to close will sell at one price, 19c

*H. C. Anthony*

DECATUR, ILL.



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## *ONE-THIRD OFF !*

Owing to Hard Times and Scarcity of Crops, and the Low Price of Grain, and having overloaded with winter goods, we will on and after December 23 put on sale our entire stock of

## *Clothing and Overcoats,*

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# Weekly Republican.

THURSDAY FEBRUARY 13. 1896.


## LOCAL NEWS.

JUST before going to bed, eat a Cascaret candy cathartic. Makes you feel fine in the morning.

GO TO the Spencer & Lohman company for wood pumps, iron pumps, force pumps and pump repairs. feb6-d&wtf

STOCK sales near Blue Mound: Feb. 19 at the home of Eli Drennan; Feb. 25 at the home of H. J. Yarnell.

THE George Damery sale near Blue Mound took place to-day. Some time ago Mr. D. sold his farm to George Haddon. He has moved his family to Macon.

F. A. SITES has purchased the J. L. Thayer property in the 800 block on North Edward street, for which he paid $2,700. Edward is one of the most desirable residence streets in the city, and many people who appreciate the paved street and the use of the electric cars which pass every 15 minutes are seeking property on that street.

DON'T mutilate a postal card in any manner. People frequently attempt to improve upon Uncle Sam's design by clipping the corners round, or cut off a sliver at the bottom. Sometimes in inclosing a postal card for reply in an envelope which is too small they make it fit by the deft use of scissors. This, according to a ruling of the postal department, invalidates the card. It is not held up or sent to the dead letter office, but the person to whom it is addressed can only secure it upon the payment of one cent to the carrier.

## WILL TOUCH DECATUR.

**"The Silent Circumnavigator" Arrives in a Clown's Suit--Wants Money.**

Last night George Mold, a Kansas product, arrived in the city accompanied by his manager, R. F. Kinnaird. The clown and his agent are on good terms with each other, and are here for business. They give out printed matter that says Mr. Mold has a $10,000 wager to go round the world by 1900, starting from Wichita, Kansas, without a cent, and making $20,000 on the way. He is to dress as a clown, carry a ventriloquil figure, and not say a word except to the figure on the whole trip. He is to be accompanied by R. F. Kinnaird as agent or manager. Mr. Mold distributes advertising matter, puts himself on exhibition in stores or saloons, and makes money in such other ways. He calls himself "the silent circumnavigator."

## A NEW CHAPTER.

**Twenty-Seven Members at the Town of Blue Mound--The Officers.**

The newly elected officers of the Chapter of the Eastern Star at Blue Mound were duly installed last night by Charles L. Hovey, of Decatur, assisted by Mrs. Mae Brown, of Pana. Twenty-six members of No. 111, this city, were present. These are the officers of the new chapter:

Mrs. J. M. Brownback, worthy matron.
P. S. Vancleave, worthy patron.
Mrs. P. M. Seiberling, associate matron.
Mrs. T. J. Upchurch, secretary.
Mrs. Joe Miller, treasurer.
Miss Myra Abrams, conductress.
Miss Birdie Blair, assistant conductress.
Miss Lola Ribor, Ada.
Miss Flo Vancleave, Ruth.
Mrs. J. Logan, Esther.
Mrs. James Blair, Martha.
Mrs. F. L. Vancleave.

## LAYING BRICK.

**Work of Rebuilding the Powers Business Block In Progress.**

To day Randall and Trontman began laying the foundation walls for the Powers now five story block, corner of Main and Water street. It will be quite awhile before the masons got above ground in the huge cellar, which is 10 feet 6 inches deep.

It has just been 94 days since the fire. Now it will be a full year before the new block is finished.

**Confessions on the Docket.**

The following confessions of judgment appear on the execution docket of the county court:

George Harpstrite vs. Michael Eichinger; $736.50.

John Allen vs. T. P. Roddy and Michael Eichinger; $429.15.

H. Mueller Plumbing and Heating company vs. Michael Eichinger; $780.50.

Peddecord, Burrows & Co. vs. T. P. Roddy; $275.95.

Jennie Albert vs. T. P. Roddy and Michael Eichinger; $444.80.

## DIED.

At the family home on East North street at 5:30 p. m., Friday, February 7, Mrs. Lilla Wencke, wife of Henry Wencke, and the mother of two children, the youngest a babe three weeks old.

The funeral will take place from the family residence, 913 East North street, this evening at 7:30 o'clock. The remains will be taken to her old home at Aurora, Ind., for burial. Mrs Wencke was a sister of Mrs. Sallie Orchard, of this city, and a member of the Order of the Eastern Star.


**Bucklen's Arnica Salve.**

The Best Salve in the world for Cuts, Bruises, Sores, Ulcers, Salt Rheum, Fever Sores, Tetter, Chapped Hands, Chilblains, Corns, and all Skin Eruptions, and positively cures Piles, or no pay required. It is guaranteed to give perfect satisfaction, or money refunded. Price 25 cents per box. For Sale By

KING & METZ.


CON TRECKER, of Odell, is figuring on an opera house, if he can get others to join him. He will put in $1000 if others will put in $3000, and put up a $4000 house.

CHAMBERS MILLS and family, who have resided near Tolono for the past twenty-one years, will remove next week to Darke county, O., their former home.

WILLIAM KELLY, of Pekin, found some very perfect and rare Indian darts in an embankment.

THE town of of Manito was laid out in 1858 and was named by Maj. Ruggules, of that place.

A BRIDGE to cost $3,500 is to be erected at once over the Sangamon at Oakford, Mason county.

WORK on the building of a Masonic temple in Rantoul will begin in the spring.

## THE PLANS HERE.

**Dr. Brown Has Option on Two Sites—He Means Business.**

This morning Dr. Benj. Brown received the plans for the hotel which may be built in Decatur. Dr. Brown is representing Chicago capitalists who want to build a handsome hotel in this city. But before investing their money here they are anxious to ascertain whether or not Decatur people want the hotel. The hotel would greatly advance the value of the property in the part of town in which it was built and the men who are backing the scheme think that that the property owners and others who would be benefited ought to donate something. They do not ask that Decatur people take stock in the enterprise, but they simply want a sufficient bonus to feel secure that Decatur is interested in the undertaking and will support the hotel when built. Dr. Brown says that it simply remains with the city whether or not they will have the hotel. The Chicago men have the money to carry on their plan and will do it if they receive sufficient encouragement.

The plans were sent here so that the Decatur people could see what the hotel would be. A hotel built after the plans would be one of the handsomest buildings of the kind in this part of the state. Dr. Brown has secured options on the Thatcher property at the corner of North Water and East North streets, and also the J. R. Race residence property across the street. It has not been decided which of these two locations will be chosen. The plans are for a hotel costing $100,000. They were drawn for the northwest corner with a frontage of 100 feet on Water street and 170 feet on North street. There are entrances on both streets. On the Water street side are four store rooms, two on each side of the hotel entrance. Opening on North street are reading rooms east of the entrance, and west of it are the bar and billiard room and cafe. In the center of and at the back part of the building, is the rotunda, 66x37 feet in dimensions, where the hotel office will be. Around the sides of the rotunda are a ticket office, railroad office, check room, baggage office and telegraph office. The reading rooms, etc., on the North street side open into the rotunda. The rotunda is lighted by skylight over the second story. This makes a large court, giving light to all the rooms in the upper part of the house.

The hotel will be seven stories high and will be fitted with elevators, the best steam heating and lighting appliances, and will be modern in every particular. On the second floor will be reception halls, two large parlors and a large dining room, besides store room, washing department rooms, etc. There is a balcony and the rotunda, so that the office below can be seen from the second floor. All the other five floors are alike. A hallway extends down the center of the house and the rooms are on each side. The bath rooms and smaller sleeping rooms face on the court so that all the outside windows are in the main sleeping rooms.

The exterior of the hotel is very handsome. The first story is to be of gray stone and above that the walls will be buff brick and terra cotta with a balastrade at the top. The plans were drawn by Robert Rea, a Chicago architect. If the deal goes through the work of building will begin as soon as the transfer of the property can be made. Such a hotel as is shown in the plans would be a credit to any city.

The plans can be seen at the National Bank of Decatur.

**Married at Home.**

Miss Bertha Roper was quietly married last evening at 8 o'clock to William Hamilton, of Atwood. The ceremony was performed at the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. A. Roper, No. 527 N. Jackson street. The couple was attended by the bride's sisters, Misses Mattie and Cora, T. J. Gleeson and Rolly Hatfield. About twenty-five friends were present at the wedding and to enjoy the bountiful supper that followed. The couple left on the evening train for Atwood which will be their future home and where the groom is engaged in buying stock. Rev. R. G. Hobbs officiated, and Mrs. J. W. Heath presided at the piano, playing the Lohengrin march.

**Divorce Bill.**

Minerva J. Braden has filed in the circuit court a bill asking for a divorce from her husband, Rufus Braden, whom she charges with extreme and repeated cruelty. She says that they were married at Marna Dec. 24, 1874, and that she has ever been a wife good and true while Rufe has utterly disregarded his marriage vows and failed to show her that kind consideration which was her due as his lawful spouse. She cites various times and places when he had assaulted her. The defendant is the restaurant keeper at 129 East Main street.

**Got Five Years.**

In the court at Colorado Springs, Colo., Wednesday, George Krout, late of Cerro Gordo, Ill., pleaded guilty to the charge of stealing $20,000 from the Wells-Fargo Express company, and was sentenced to five years imprisonment in the penitentiary. The father of the young man was discharged.

**Death.**

W. T. James, who has been the telegraph operator at the office of the Indianapolis, Decatur and Western Railway company in Decatur died at the home of his father-in-law at Lovington on Friday evening, aged 28 years. He leaves a young widow. The interment will take place at Raccoon on Sunday.

**Births.**

Born, to Mr. and Mrs. L. L. Wisher, living at the corner of Whitmer and Webster streets, on Feb. 7, a daughter.

MAMA eats a Cascaret, baby gets the benefit. Cascarets make mother's milk mildly purgative.

TELEPHONE service in Gibson is now offered at $1.50 per month, provided forty patrons are secured.

# GONE IN HIS PRIME.

**Death of Parke Hammer at 4:30 a. m. To-Day at His Home.**

## A BUSINESS AND SOCIAL FAVORITE.

*Everybody Mourns the Demise of the Young Man—Sick Two Weeks—Bright's Disease and Pneumonia the Cause—Funeral Sunday Afternoon.*

Parke Hammer passed away in death at 4:30 o'clock this (Friday) morning at his home, No. 371 West North street, due to Bright's disease and pneumonia, his last illness extending through a period of nearly two weeks. He passed away peacefully, though for several days this week he suffered from convulsions to some extent. Last night he fell into another stupor from which he could not be aroused and he fell asleep.

The deceased, as is well known, was a member of the banking house of James Millikin & Co., with which he had been connected since 1877, the last three or four years as part owner. Because of his close relationship to the various interests of the city and county, and because of his personality and good fellowship, the dangerous illness of Mr. Hammer became a matter of public interest, and much solicitude was felt for him and those nearest to him in the family circle. It had been hope against hope for over a week, with little encouragement from the attending physicians for his ultimate recovery. All that means, skill and loving care could do was done, and at last death came to give eternal rest for the sufferer and relief for those who watched over him through the anxious days and nights.

Mr. Hammer was a native of Decatur, and was in the 40th year of his age. He was born June 7, 1856, and was a son of William L. Hammer, county judge, who is to-day bowed down with grief over the loss of his eldest son who had been so great a help to him during the past twenty years. The other sorrowing members of the stricken family are Mrs. Ruth Grove, wife of J. E. Grove; Will Hammer, Eve Hammer and Hal Hammer.

Not only the members of the family, but the close business and social friends of Parke had realized for over a year that he was seriously afflicted, but personally he attributed his physical failing more to too close application to business than any other cause. Therefore last June he concluded to go on a journey to Europe and F. R. Shull accompanied him on the trip. He was gone about seven weeks, returning but slightly improved although he persuaded himself to believe that he was much better. Those who noticed his bad color, however, felt that he was anything but a well man. He remained in the temporary banking rooms at the court house until the removal into the new building on Wednesday, January 22. He performed his duties as paying teller until January 25, though he was suffering from a cold and was feeling badly. He went home early Saturday evening, and being attacked by pneumonia he did not leave the house again, though on the following Sunday he was able to be at the family table.

The entire community will mourn the death of Parke Hammer. Still a young man, in the very prime of his life, he was so closely identified by reason of his long service in the bank with the business affairs of the city and county, that nearly everybody had a personal interest in him. Parke's opportunities for getting in close touch with the people and with extending his personal acquaintance were of the best. He met and did business at the bank counter every business day with tradespeople and citizens, and with farmers in this and adjoining counties. He knew scores of farmers personally and could readily call them by name. He was also familiar with their affairs, and was perhaps the best posted man in the community as to business affairs generally as they affect banking interests.

Politically he was an ardent Republican, a hard worker and a liberal contributor in all campaign work. None could stay awake longer nor work harder than Parke when he became identified with any movement. He was likewise ambitious, efficient and enthusiastic in business affairs, at all times exercising wise and careful judgment, having thoughtful consideration for those who might not agree with him in his views and conclusions. He was a gentleman on all occasions, even from boyhood, and generous in charitable and kindly acts. Socially he was a companionable man always, and he was a favorite everywhere.

Parke's death is not only a loss to his family and the bank, but also to the community, our people having long since learned to admire him for his integrity, his uniform manliness and his general usefulness in the business world.

The deceased was a member of Macon Lodge of Masons, No. 8, but did not affiliate with any other society.

The funeral will take place from the family residence Sunday afternoon at 3 o'clock, Rev. W. C. Miller, of the Congregational church, officiating.

**Will Go to Europe.**

Mrs. J. W. Race, Miss Edith Race and Miss Irene Armstrong will leave this month on a trip to Europe. They will leave Decatur for New York February 14, and will sail on the Normania, of the Hamburg-American line, on February 19. They will touch at Algiers, and will go from there to Naples, where they will stay during the cold weather. In the spring they will go to Paris. Miss Armstrong will study music under Marchesi for a year.

F. F. IDE, of Peoria; got orders at Denver for 1,000 bicycles to be made by this actory.

## TRAINING YOUTHFUL CRIMINALS.

**Can It Be that Throwing Away the Birch Means Throwing Away the Boys?**

*Solomon is said to have been a man of* wisdom. He once said: "Sparing the rod spoils the child," or words to that effect. In the last twenty years war has been made upon the rod in school and in the home, and it has been practically thrown away. During the same period an increase in youthful criminals is noticeable. The courts are busy with them. They are sent to our reform schools and our penitentiaries by the scores from almost every county, and, like the full-grown criminal, probably not more than one in ten guilty ones have been detected in crime and sent up, that according to our policy ought to be sent up. Only a few days since two boys confessed to the crime of arson in this city, who had not been detected in the crime, and here is a story from a Chicago paper in relation to three boys who were arrested for stealing a punch bag from the Fair department store. Their ages were 17, 13 and 10 years respectively. The little fellow confessed, and here is what he said and how he said it:

"You see, mister, its jest dis way: Dese here skates have had me for a mark long enough, and I'se goin' to join the Sunday school next Sunday. Dese kids are bigger'n I am, and they makes me climb over transoms and steal while they watches for de juggers. Yesterday dis big feller tells me I must go in and swipe a punching bag while he watches for de juggers. I did so and gets de bag. When I comes out with it under me coat he says he wants bids if de bag was sold. De copper heard us talkin' and we was all pinched.

Can anyone consider this state of things and not come to the conclusion there is something radically wrong in our policy as applied to the youth of our land. Boys trained in crime and the slang of crime, and at last apprehended in crime and then our prison reform applied to them. How can we expect much reform as the result of punishment after the disposition to commit crime has become established. Would it not be better to bring them into discipline when young, by force, if necessary—by corporal punishment. Obedience should be taught. If it cannot be taught then it should be enforced when the boys are young. It should be done by the parent, the teacher, the city council, the police officers. Our boys must be prevented from becoming wild. They must be restrained, or some day the country will reap a whirlwind.

## THE SCHOOLMASTERS' CLUB.

**Semi-Annual State Meeting at Bloomington—E. A. Gastman Present.**

From Saturday's Daily.

At Bloomington last evening and to-day the Illinois Schoolmasters' club held their semi-annual meeting. There was a banquet last evening at the Windsor. The program began at 8 o'clock and was led by Dr. W. O. Krohn, of Champaign, with a discussion of the "Relation of the Periodicity of Growth to Education." The following were the theses for discussion, which were treated by Dr. Krohn, and then left for open discussion:

1. Psychological Evolution is co-ordinate with Biological Evolution.
2. The Human Embryo passes through certain stages, *e. g.*, the fish and reptile stage of fetus life.
3. The Physical Growth of the Child follows the law of "nascent periods."
4. The Mental Development of the Child takes place by periods.
5. The order in which the mental activities unfold is the following: Instinct, sensation, memory, imitation, imagination, judgment and comparison, curiosity, reasoning.
6. The best time to educate any capacity in the child is during the period of most rapid unfolding of that capacity.
7. The school curriculum should be revised and readjusted on the basis of the child with reference to the order in which the various powers unfold, as above indicated. This is the true principle of economy in education.

L. "Children's Drawings as an Index of the Character of Their Menta Activity." Led by Dr. C. A. McMurry, President John W. Cook, Principal H. L. Grant and others.

2. "Obtuseness to Ideas in the Reading Materials of the 6th, 7th and 8th Grades."

And following this there will be suggestions for future lines of study. Appended are the names of those in attendance:

E. A. Gastman, president, Decatur; C. W. Graves, Harvard; E. L. Boyer, Bloomington; J. C. Scullin, Peoria; J. L. Tavener, Chillicothe; H. G. Wilson, Chicago; J. S. Wren, Bloomington; J. H. Collins, Springfield; Dr. Vandervort, Bloomington; E. C. Hewett, Normal; C. I. Parker, Chicago; N. C. Dougherty, Peoria; H. L. Grant, Peoria; J. L. Robertson, J. A. Mercer, Peoria; E. B. Smith, Normal; G. P. Brown, Bloomington; J. W. Cook, Normal; Homer Bevans, Chicago; C. C. Van Liew, Normal; J. G. Brown, Normal; C. P. Vandervort, Peoria; H. Mc Cormick, Normal; E. M. Van Petten, Bloomington; Ira Pattengill, Bloomington; F. B. Spaulding, Bloomington; F. B. Carson, Bloomington; F. S. Bogardus, Bloomington; C. S. Aldrich, Bloomington.

**Sales of Real Estate.**

W. R. Rucker to Julia S. Brown, 40 acres in 9, 16, 3 east—$1200.

James K. Spurling to Garrett I. Spurling, undivided interest in 190 acres in 2, 18, 3 east—$1500.

John Hiser to Frank Baker, tract in 34, 17, 3 east—$25.

Peter F. Van Dongen, tract of land in 15, 16, 2 east—$2450.

George C. Grove to Herman Nottleman, lot 8, block 2, Ritchie's addition to Warrensburg—$1500.

J. F. Roach and R. S. Bohon to C. O. Young, property in block 4, Bandy's addition, West Wood street—$8000.

C. O. Young to R. S. Bohon, forty feet off the west side lot 3, block 2, Southwestern addition—$9000.

Catherine Schultz to Wm. C. Field a part of lot 3 in block 13 in Western addition to Decatur,—$3000.

W. E. Haworth to Catherine E. Shultz lot 3 in block 13 in Western addition to Decatur,—$7500.

**Long Creek Tax Payers.**

I am at Casner on Mondays, at Long Creek on Wednesdays, and at Farmers' Bank in Decatur on Saturdays to receive taxes.

W. A. UNDERWOOD, Collector.
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THE first colored man ever drawn on a jury in Tazewell county is doing duty at this term of court. His name is Jackson and he hails from Delavan.

## ATTEMPT AT SUICIDE IN JAIL.

**Orra Apger Took a Dose of Morphine to End Her Miserable Existence.**

Marshal Mason and the police force with Dr. W. A. Dixon, the county physician, had an anxious time of it for a few hours last evening, when it was ascertained by a seemingly lucky chance that Orra Apger, a lewd character who had been in the city prison for a week for non-payment of her fine, had swallowed a dime's worth of morphine, and was about to sink into a sleep from which she could not be awakened. The Marshal summoned Dr. Dixon with his stomach-pump, and Orra was given vigorous treatment for two hours. The effects of the poison were dissipated and the life of the woman was saved. At 8 o'clock she was able to talk. She said that she had had the morphine in her cell for two days and that a friend whose name she would not divulge had procured it for her. She said: "I am not sorry for what I've done. When I get a chance I'll take another dose and then I will go for good. I am 18 years of age. My home is at Robinson, Ill., where my husband, who is a barber, resides, and where I have a little girl 19 months old. I was married when I was fourteen. My husband left me and I began working out. I have been at Mackinaw and Sullivan and worked lately in a kitchen in a restaurant near the Union depot. I quit there and went to the Hat Adams place. There I was arrested and fined. And here I am, unable to get out." The police secured Jesse Perry to watch the girl during the night. This morning the young woman had entirely recovered from the effects of the poison, but her lips and throat are blistered by the morphine dose.

**Held Under $600 Bond.**

To-day Oliver Cooper, a farmer living three miles west of the city, appeared before Justice Peddecord to answer a charge of obtaining money under false pretenses. Within the last three months Cooper borrowed $300 from F. L. Abrams and J. W. Donahey, and showed as security a lot of cattle, horses and calves. The notes came due, and a few days ago Constable Connard was sent out to levy on the live stock. Cooper showed the constable fine live stock in the field of a man named Miller adjoining his own place. The constable said before taking the stock away that he would see Mr. Miller, and on doing this he found that the live stock did not belong to Cooper at all. Abrams and Donahey swore out state warrants for Cooper charging him with obtaining money under false pretenses, and to-day Constable Connard arrested him and brought him before Justice Peddecord. Bunn and Park are the attorneys for the defendant and the plaintiffs were represented by Attorneys Buckingham, Hostetler, Webber and Leforgee. They agreed to waive examination and Justice Peddecord put Cooper under $300 bond for each offense to await the June term of court. George and Al Cooper signed his bond. Cooper has been in financial troubles before.

## SHIELDS HELD TO ANSWER.

**Interesting Trial for Subornation of Perjury—Bail Fixed at $500.**

The alleged betrayal of Miss Sophrona Darseen, near Dalton City, by Michael Nolan, who has disappeared, has caused serious trouble for John Shields, who was before 'Squire A. S. Clark at Dalton City, Thursday, on a charge of subornation of perjury. He is accused of having attempted by the offer of money to induce Miss Darseen to swear that her condition was due to the baseness of James Foley, who it appears is not even under suspicion. She refused to act on Shields' suggestion, and Jacob Darseen had Shields arrested. Shields was prosecuted by Judge Meeker, of Sullivan, State's Attorney I. R. Mills and Attorney John Fitzgerald. He was defended by Attorney Leforgee. 'Squire Clark at the close of the hearing, which was witnessed by a great crowd, held Shields to answer. Bail was furnished in the sum of $500.

**Death of C. W. Snyder.**

Charles W. Snyder died yesterday afternoon at his home at 858 North Water street, after an illness of ten days with pneumonia. The deceased had been ailing for ten days or more, but until a short time before his death his condition was not considered alarming. Yesterday he became suddenly greatly weakened and sank in spite of all efforts to stimulate him. Charles Snyder was a son of the late Joseph Snyder and was born in Decatur on June 6, 1849. He had lived in Decatur and Sullivan, principally the former city, all of his life, and by reason of his employment as salesman at various places enjoyed an extended acquaintance. He is survived by his wife and one son, Harold. W. F. Snyder, now postmaster at Joplin, Mo., and Silas Snyder, of St. Louis, Mo., are his brothers and Miss Kate Snyder and Mrs. W. S. Hohenshell, of Joplin, Mo. are his sisters. Recently the deceased had been a salesman at Gebhart & Son's store on North Water street.


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# THE WHITE BOOK.

**What Germany Says of the Transvaal Affair.**

## MORE DEBATE ON QUEEN'S SPEECH

**Venezuela May Negotiate With Great Britain - A Head-End Collision--Corbett Declines to Fight Smith --Death of an Absconder.**

BERLIN, Feb. 12. The white book issued on Transvaal developments shows that the German minister of foreign affairs telegraphed the German embassador at London that German material interests require the maintainance of Transvaal as an independent state, in the sense of the treaty of 1884, to which representation the British government replied that it was its desire to continue the status quo in Africa. In response to telegrams from the Germans of Pretoria, dated December 30, 1895, Germany authorized consulate there to land marines from the cruiser Sendler at Delagoa Bay to protect the consulate in case of an emergency, Portugal at the same time being informed that the landing was intended only for humane purposes. It concludes with a protest against British opinion that Emperor William's telegram to President Krueger was an act of hostility to Great Britain.

**Wreck With Fatal Results.**

ROCHESTER, N. Y., Feb. 12. Early this morning two freight trains met in a head end collision near Fairfort, causing a bad smash up. Following is the list of killed and injured:

**Killed.**

FRED HOSFORD, fireman of the westbound train.

THOMAS WELCH, engineer on eastbound train.

CHARLES WOOD, fireman on eastbound train.

**Injured.**

WM. GOLDENFRUP, brakeman on westbound train.

**Will Die.**

DANIEL C. WILSON, brakeman on eastbound train.

## ILLINOIS CENTRAL WRECK.

**Five Trainmen Killed This Morning.**

CENTRALIA, Ill., Feb 11. Two mixed trains on the Illinois Central collided at Dongola, south of Anna this morning, killing five, as follows:

GEORGE HUNTINGTON, engineer.
ARMSTRONG, baggageman.
ANDERSON, fireman.
ADAMS, fireman.
McLEAN, brakeman.

**L. A. W. Convention.**

BALTIMORE, Feb. 12. At this morning's session of the League of American Wheelmen, a committee was appointed to draft resolutions for presentation to the various state legislatures declaring bicycles personal baggage. Amendments to the constitution were then taken up. An amendment to strike out the promotion and regulation of cycle track racing was rejected by 135 to 40, which means the league will retain control of the racing. Amendments were adopted making divisions, subdivisions; and that consulates be discontinued when the membership falls below twenty-five; also providing that all memberships shall expire one year from publication of application in the official organ; also that membership may be renewed and penalties for lapses in dues shall not exceed $1 for the full year.

**Jackson Makes a Statement.**

CINCINNATI, Feb. 12. Scott Jackson made a written statement telling chronologically his connection with the Pearl Bryan case throughout the week in which the woman met her death. He declares that on Friday night preceding the Saturday morning on which the body was found, Walling took the girl's satchel and went out about 9 o'clock and did not return until after 3:30 Saturday afternoon. They read of the murder in the papers; Jackson says he asked Walling if that was his case. Walling did not answer but turned red, then white; when asked him what he had did with it Walling simply said he threw it overboard. Jackson admits he threw some things, presumably the girl's clothes, into the Ohio river.

**Sensational Auto-Mortem Statement.**

GLEN FALLS, N. Y., Feb. 12.—Nancy La Joy, 13 years old, a daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Thomas La Joy, of this village, took a teaspoonful of paris green on Sunday evening last, and died from the effects of the poison at 10 o'clock yesterday morning. The girl made an auto mortem statement that she was prompted to take her life because of an assault made upon her several weeks ago by Charles F. Buttles while she was employed as a domestic in his family. The accused is a married man and the father of six children. Mr. Buttles is held to await the action of the grand jury under $1000 bail.

**Corbett Declines to Fight Smith.**

DAYTON, O., Feb. 12 Denver Ed. Smith, accompanied by his manager, Frank Kelly, met James Corbett last night on the stage of the theatre where Corbett is playing and challenged him for $10,000 a side, and place on the American continent, and post a $1,000 forfeit on the spot. Corbett refused, as he said he could not entertain a proposition until the Maher-Fitzsimmons fight was off and he had fought the winner. Smith offered to fight the winner if Corbett would then fight him, but Corbett would make him no promise. Corbett will not go to El Paso.

**Wants Maher's Remains Exhumed.**

CHICAGO, Feb. 12. Application was made yesterday afternoon to Judge Carter, of the county court, for permission to exhume and hold a post mortem examination on the body of the late Mark Maher, who died in Hot Springs, Ark., about a week ago while on his wedding trip. Maher leaves an estate of $200,000. He had recently been divorced, and his first wife claims that the decree was obtained by fraud.

**Elected a Major.**

MOLINE, Ill., Feb 12 About thirty of the officers and staff of the 6th Regiment of the Illinois National Guard met at Armory Hall, this city, last night to elect a Major to succeed Maj C. H. Ingalls, of Sublette. On the fourth ballot Capt. W. E. Baldwin, of Dixon, received the required number of votes. After the election a reception and banquet was given in honor of the militiamen.

**Col. Ace Matthews' House Burned.**

FRIESFIELD, Ill., Feb. 11. The large residence of Hon. A. C. Matthews, ex-controller of the treasury, was burned this morning. The residence was one of the best in the city. There was some insurance.


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## IN PARLIAMENT.

**Debate on the Queen's Speech Resumed—Dillon Affects Surprise.**

LONDON, Feb. 12.—The debate on the address in reply to the queen's speech was resumed in commons. John Dillon said he would be surprised if the beggarly character of the references to Ireland did not more firmly fix in the minds of Irishmen the conviction that nothing could be obtained from England except by violent agitation. He announced an amendment censuring the government for not proposing self government for Ireland. Dillon adverted to the recent talk about English ships blowing up American cities. This had happily ceased, but arbitration was to be accepted now after America could not be forced by threats. He warned the government that the Irish party would resist to the utmost any idea of war between Great Britain and the United States. John Redmond concurred Salisbury's declaration that home rule was dead. He wanted to know whether the Liberal leaders were still in alliance with the Nationals and what the terms of the alliance were.

Balfour, chief secretary for Ireland, in reply to Irish leaders, said the attitude of the government would be determined by merits of the case and no considerations of the difficulty or danger abroad or in the colonies would induce the goverment to depart from the attitude it has taken on this question.

## THE BLUE BOOK.

**Official Expression of England's Attitude on the Transvaal Matter.**

LONDON, Feb. 12 The blue book on the Transvaal incident in main recites the history of the trouble as already known including disavowal of Jamison raid by Premier Rhodes of Cape Colony. January 31st Chamberlain, the colonial secretary, telegraphed Governor Robinson of Cape Colony, that President Krueger might possibly be induced to rely on the support of some foreign in resisting the granting of reforms, or in making demands on Great Britain. In view of this, continues Chamberlain, I beg to inform you that great Britain will resist at all cost of interference of any foreign power, in the affairs in the Transvaal. It is suggested the German meditated interference had been met in Great Britain by an unprecedented and unanimous outburst of public feeling. The government has no reason to anticipate a conflict, nor any interference with foreign powers, but will not tolerate any change in her relations with the Transvaal; that while she will loyally respect its independence on the subject of conventions, she will maintain her position as a paramount power. Another telegram calls on the governor to take the same measures for the safety of Americans in the Transvaal as British. The book closes with a letter from Embassador Bayard acknowledging this courtesy.

## CANNIBALISM IN FORMOSA.

**Horrible Stories of Formosan Treatment of Japanese Prisoners.**

VICTORIA, B. C., Feb. 12.—Dreadful stories from Yokahoma of treatment of Japanese by Formosan rebels have come by steamer. In January the rebels took possession of a village near Kelung, but a detachment of Japanese soldiers succeeded in driving the rebels off and regained possession. A correspondent to the Japanese *Mail* says the troops were horrified at the ghastly spectacle of nineteen bodies of their countrymen beheaded and frightfully mangled.

Many of our readers may not be aware of cannibalism among the Chinese, though probably not confined to foreigners. No one familiar with the habits of the people of Formosa but knows of their eating portions of the bodies of savages, or is unaware of markets in Formosan settlements containing flesh of savages for sale. During the outbreak of 1891 savage flesh was bought and sold the same as pork.

## DEATH OF JUDGE POTTER.

**His Death Revives the Causes Which Gave Rise to Coining Three Cent Pieces.**

TOLEDO, O., Feb. 12.—Judge E. D. Potter died this morning aged 91. As a member of congress in 1851 he led a light for the reduction of postage to three cents, objection being made that because of the difficulty in making change gave rise to inserting in the bill a section authorizing the coinage of silver three cent pieces.

## THE MURDER OF PEARL BRYAN.

**The Coroner's Jury Holds Jackson and Walling for the Crime.**

CINCINNATI, Feb. 12.—The coroner's jury in the Pearl Bryan case finds that cocaine was administered to her and that she was decapitated while still alive and at the place where the body was found, and hold Scott Jackson and Alonzo M. Walling responsible for her death.

**Watching the Sluggers.**

EL PASO, Texas, Feb. 12. The Rurales arrived at Juarez this morning and were ordered by Governor Ahumeda to patrol the river bank. They will also occupy the island in the river, which is disputed territory, to prevent the prize fight there.

The governor says he is under orders of President Diaz and will do all in his power to prevent the fight on Mexican soil.

**Peffer Wants to Know.**

WASHINGTON, D. C., Feb. 12.—Senator Peffer presented a resolution in the senate providing for a special committee to investigate the circumstances of all recent bond issues, giving comprehensive directions as to scope of inquiry, dealings with syndicate, etc., together with the effect of such dealings, rates obtained, and all attending circumstances.

**Gov. Matthews' House Robbed.**

INDIANAPOLIS, IND., Feb. 12.—Burglars went through the residence of Gov. Matthews last night and stole $12 in money and the Governor's gold watch. They entered the pantry and helped themselves to the pastry, and the hearth around the grate in the living room indicated that they had warmed by the family fire before they left the house.

**Moline Fire Company Disbands.**

MOLINE, Ill., Feb. 12.—The Moline volunteer fire department has voted to disband. This action on the part of the firemen is the result of the council having refused to pass the ordinance levying a 2 per cent tax on the gross receipts of all foreign fire insurance companies. A paid department will be organized at once

**Venezuela Will Negotiate With England.**

LONDON, Feb., 12.—It is announced from a good source that following the advice of the United States, Venezuela has practically decided to send representatives to London with power to open direct negotiations with Great Britain for the settlement of the boundary dispute.

**To Be Assistant Secretary of State.**

WASHINGTON, Feb. 11.—The president to-day nominated W. W. Rockhill, of Maryland, to be assistant secretary of state.

# STABBED HIS WIFE.

**A Drunken, Worthless Carpenter Does a Bad Job,**

## AND REPORTS IT TO HEADQUARTERS.

**Fatally Stabs His Wife with a Chisel, Inflicting Three Separate Wounds —He is Locked Up While Trying to Escape.**

ST. LOUIS, Feb. 12.—John Martin Weber, a shiftless, drunken carpenter, stabbed his wife in the abdomen with a chisel Tuesday morning, and then gave himself up to the police.

The woman is fatally injured.

Weber first said the reason for his deed was that his wife contradicted him; but later he claimed it was because he found a man in the room.

The first the police knew of the cruel deed was about eleven o'clock. At that hour a little heavy-set man with a drunken leer on his face came strolling into the Third district station and pushed up against the railing.

"I've stabbed my wife with a chisel," he said. "I thought you'd like to know."

Then he turned and started to leave the station.

"We're much obliged to you," remarked Sergeant King, but we'd like you, too." And with that he bounded around from behind the railing and grabbed the visitor just as he was quickening his pace into a run.

The sergeant questioned the fellow, and, in the coolest, most heartless way imaginable, he began to tell his story.

His name he gave as John Martin Weber. He lived at 1113 Foster alley. His wife had contradicted him, and he had stabbed her with the chisel.

This seemed a very commonplace matter to him, and he told it with the utmost indifference.

While he stood laughing and joking over his deed, the door opened and a woman entered.

Her face was distorted with pain, and her hands were held tightly over her stomach as though she were suffering frightful pain.

Weber laughed.

"That's my wife," he said cheerfully.

Sergeant King saw that the woman's condition was dangerous.

Three great gashes were torn through her dress in front and the blood was soaking through. He acted promptly.

"Is this the man who cut you?" he said, pointing to Weber.

"Yes," said the woman.

An ambulance was summoned, and she was hurried to the hospital.

The doctors declared she could not live through the day.

Weber was locked up.

The man seems absolutely without feeling. When a reporter saw him in the station he cursed and laughed in the most ribald and heartless way.

## A DESPONDENT BARBER

**Kills His Father-in-Law and Mother-in-Law and Himself.**

NEWTON, Ia., Feb. 12.—Charles Phares shot and killed his mother-in-law, Mrs. R. T. Smith; fatally shot his father-in-law, and then put a bullet into his own brain, dying instantly, at noon yesterday.

Phares was a barber, who had lived for several years at Atlantic. Some months ago on account of failure to get work he and his wife came here to live with the parents of Mrs. Phares, the Smith family. For several weeks he has been despondent, and even threatened a few days ago to kill himself.

Yesterday he went down town, returning at noon. He entered the room where Mr. and Mrs. Smith were and shot Mr. Smith. The bullet entered the left side of his face and passed through his head, coming out at the right ear. Then, it is supposed, he turned to Mrs. Smith and shot her in the mouth. The bullet entered her brain and she dropped dead. He then went out in front of the house and shot himself in the left temple, death resulting instantly.

Neighbors rushed in and found the three bodies. Mr. Smith was not yet dead, and for a time revived, but he will die.

When the news of the horrible deed was conveyed to Mrs. Phares, who was visiting in another part of town, she fainted, and has since been in a dangerous condition. Her recovery is doubtful, and it is probable it will be a tragedy with four victims before the end is reached. Mr. and Mrs. Phares has one child, a son five years old. They had lived comfortably till his reverses caused him to become despondent.

**Weather This Afternoon and Thursday.**

CHICAGO, Ill., Feb. 12.—For Illinois: Rain or snow to-night and Thursday; colder Thursday afternoon; easterly winds.

Iowa: Rain or snow this afternoon and to-night, clearing early Thursday morning; cold in west to-night; colder Thursday; easterly winds shifting to northerly.

Wisconsin: Heavy snow this afternoon and to-night, clearing Thursday; colder Thursday afternoon; increasing easterly winds.

South Dakota: Snow flurries to-night; Thursday fair; colder to night and Thursday; winds shifting to northerly.

Nebraska: Snow flurries this afternoon and to-night; fair Thursday; colder to-night and Thursday; northerly winds.

**Out for U. S. Senator.**

GALESBURG, Ill., Feb. 12.—Clark E. Carr authorized last night the announcement that he would be a candidate before the next legislature for Senator. He says he has received sufficient encouragement to justify him in making the race. Col. Carr last winter was urged to run, but declined to come out against Senator Cullom.

**Direct to Be Sold at Auction.**

NEW YORK, Feb. 12.—Monroe Salisbury has telegraphed from California that he will sell his famous pacing stallion Direct, 2:05¼, in this city at the Kellogg auction sale, beginning Feb. 25.

**State Bank Closed.**

TOPEKA, Feb. 11.—Bank Commissioner Briedenthal to-day ordered the Valley state bank at Hutchinson closed.

**Sudden Death of a Jockey.**

LEXINGTON, Ky., Feb. 12.—Isaac B. Murphy, the famous negro jockey, died this morning of heart disease.

# DOWN WITH A CRASH.

**Collapse of a High Trestle at Cleveland, O.**

## TWO MEN FALL A DISTANCE OF 65 FEET,

**And are Fatally Crushed in the Creek Below, While Several Others are Less Seriously Injured—Undue Haste Causes the Calamity.**

CLEVELAND, O., Feb. 12.—At 3:20 yesterday afternoon three spans or about forty-two feet of the southern end of the high trestle, in course of construction by the Akron, Bedford & Cleveland Electric road over Tankers creek, near Bedford village, collapsed, hurling six workmen into the valley and creek beneath.

William Newman, of Canton, O., was frightfully mangled. He was found lying in shallow water, still alive, but can not recover.

Charles Geb, also of Canton, like Newman, fell the entire distance of 65 feet, and was probably fatally injured.

James McMullen, of Twinsburg, sustained general bruises.

Charles McCarthy, of Canton, was severely bruised about the body.

James Freeman, of Cleveland, had two ribs broken.

George Bullard, of Canton, fingers broken and face bruised.

None except Newman and Geb fell into the creek. The others succeeded in jumping from the collapsing mass on to the hillside.

On the bridge at the time of the accident 25 men, employes of the Canton Wrought Iron Bridge Co., were at work. A wild scene ensued when the crash came. The men dropped everthing and ran for their lives, their shouts of alarm bringing most of the villagers to the spot.

The cause of the accident is not definitely known. The railroad wished to run cars over the bridge today, and it is thought the builders in their hurry overlooked bolting the supports properly.

The bridge was a temporary affair. On January 9 of this year a former bridge entirely collapsed, carrying a train of two cars with it. Two men were killed at that time.

## BRIGHTER PROSPECTS

**For the Grand Army Encampment to Go to St. Paul.**

CHICAGO, Feb. 12.—The prospects for holding the National Grand Army encampment in St. Paul were considerably brightened yesterday by the action of the Wisconsin Central railway, which has taken position with the Chicago Great Western in favor of giving the 30-day limit asked by the Grand Army commander-in-chief and the citizens of St. Paul.

General Passenger Agent Pond of the Wisconsin Central, at the special meeting of the Chicago-St. Paul lines held yesterday in Chairman Caldwell's office, gave the other officials to understand, after they had failed to take any action modifying their agreement of several weeks ago, that his road would take advantage of its right under the association agreement to ask for relief from the chairman.

This is the prescribed course which was taken by the Great Western previous to giving the ten days' notice that it would take independent action. When Mr. Pond made this announcement at the meeting, the other agents decided to take no further action pending another conference.

As the meeting was called at the request of the Northwestern and the Minneapolis & St. Louis roads, the sentiment is general in railroad circles that these roads will be the next to join the minority.

Commander Walker said when here that if two roads would agree to the thirty days he would keep the encampment in St. Paul and the Wisconsin Central is believed to have supplied the wedge which will drive the competing roads into line. Representatives of St. Paul and the Grand Army waited outside the meeting room and were highly pleased at the news. All that is lacking is a road that touches Omaha.

THE Sons of Veterans at Greenview are arranging to organize a militia company.


## A MOTHER'S DUTY

**TOWARDS HER DAUGHTERS.**

**Suggestions Which Bear Repeating, as Their Importance is Immeasurable.**

[SPECIAL TO OUR LADY READERS.]

Only a few years ago even the medical profession scouted the idea that young girls could suffer from the misery of uterus troubles.

That form of disease, it was claimed, came only to married women.

When Lydia E. Pinkham first sent out the news of her great discovery, there was no lack of harsh speech from those whose practice and opinions she set at defiance.

But when young girls by the hundreds were absolutely cured by *Lydia E. Pinkham's* Vegetable Compound, then the tongues of the traducers were stilled, and faith was allowed to live in the hearts of the people.

Young girls are subject to this trouble. It robs them of the buoyancy of youth. It makes all effort distasteful.

It causes retention and suppression of menses, leucorrhœa, severe headache, waxy complexion, depression, weakness, loss of appetite and interest.

Certainly mothers ought to know that these are all symptoms of the one cause of nearly all the suffering that comes to women; and to save their daughters ought to begin treatment at once.

Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound is the surest and most natural remedy for women ever compounded. It will accomplish its work with certainty.


## TELEGRAPHIC NOTES.

—The regular session of the British parliament was opened yesterday.

—Gov. Stone of Missouri has appointed Georgia Ireland inspector of oils for the county of Livingston. She is the only female inspector of oils ever appointed in Missouri.

—A train on the Great Northern road was wrecked near Clarissa, Minn. Two coaches went down an embankment. Nobody was killed, but all the 25 passengers aboard were more or less injured.

—Rev. Sanford Hunt, D. D., senior agent of the Methodist Book Concern of New York, and treasurer of the Methodist Missionary society, dropped dead of apoplexy at the Grand hotel in Cincinnati at 8:15 o'clock Monday night.

—Fifty bee-keepers organized the Kankakee county Beekeepers' association at Kankakee, Ill., Monday, for the purpose of securing legislation to protect their industry from inroads by manufacturers of adultorated honey.

—The first gold received from the new bond issue appeared in the treasurer's cash yesterday. It was part of the first payment of 20 per cent. for the bonds, and amounted to $10,988,290. It raised the treasury gold reserve to $52,750,000.

—Jordan Flecner, a farmer and bookseller, aged 40, whose home was at Wallace, Va., was killed by an incoming passenger train on the Southern road at Bristol, Tenn., Monday evening. He leaves a widow and eight dependent children.

—George B. Rumble, until a few days ago bookkeeper and confidential man for the Chicago board of trade firm or George R. French & Co., was yesterday arrested on a bench warrant on a charge of embezzlement, the amount involved being $10,000.

—Baron von Hammerstein, the absconding ex-editor of the Kruz Zeitung, who was recently arrested in Athens by a German commissary of police upon charges of forgery and embezzlement, has arrived in Berlin, and is confined in the Moabit prison.

—By the bursting of a water pipe on Franklin avenue hill, in Cleveland, O., yesterday morning, several hundred feet of the hill was washed into the river. The one-story frame house of Mrs. Mary Ravey, aged 60, was washed into the river and Mrs. Ravey was drowned.

—A force of 4,000 Hovas made an attack upon the French soldiers stationed at Antananarivo and were repulsed. The French followed up their advantage and killed 3,000 of the Hovas. Fourteen of the Hova chiefs were taken prisoners, condemned to death and immediately shot. Several others were transported.

—Mrs. Steve Stone, who was born in Raleigh, N. C., June 28, 1795, and removed to Johnson county, Mo., in 1835, died Monday at the home of her son Salathiel, near Cornelia, Mo. She was one of the oldest settlers, the oldest woman in the county and one of the oldest in the state. She leaves over one hundred descendants, running into five generations, all residents of Johnson county.

**An Absconder's Death.**

LANCASTER Pa., Feb. 12.—News was received here of the death of H. K. Miller at Sioux Falls, South Dakota, this morning. Miller absconded last May and executions to the amount of $30,000 were issued against him. He was an extensive tobacco dealer. Nothing further was heard of him till the news of his death was received.

# THE QUEEN SPEAKS.

**Important Words From the British Throne.**

## IS NOT MAD AT THE UNITED STATES,

**And Will be Real Glad to Co-operate With Us in Amicably Settling the Venezuela Matter—She Also Speaks Well of Krueger.**

LONDON, Feb. 11.—The queen's speech which was read at the opening of parliament this morning said: "I continue to receive from other powers assurances that they continue their friendly sentiment." The speech says an agreement has been concluded with France for a more secure establishment of the kingdom of Siam, and that the commissioners for defining the frontier between British India and Afghanistan from dominions of Russia, agreed upon the line which has been accepted by the queen and the czar. Touching the Venezuelean question the speech says "The government of the United States has expressed a wish to co-operate in terminating the differences, which have existed many years between my government and the Republic of Venezuela, upon the boundary of that country and my colony of British Guiana. I have expressed my sympathy with a desire to come to an equitable arrangement and I trust further negotiations will lead to a satisfactory settlement." On the subject of Armenia the speech says Turkey has sanctioned the principles of reform in government insisted on by the powers, and expresses deep regret at the fanatical outbreak in a section of the Turkish population resulting in serious massacres. On the Transvaal question the speech reviews the fact of the raid and the action of the government in looking to its prevention in the future and refers to the course of President Krueger as one of "moderation and wisdom" and says Great Britain will try the leaders of the insurrection in the meantime. Assurances of President Krueger lead to the belief that he will grant the reforms demanded. The message closes with a reference to the Ashantee expedition, and gives expression of grief over the death of Prince Henry of Battenburg. In a separate message referring to individual houses, the queen says an increased expenditure will be necessary and naval defenses must be extended and improved, and gives notice of various subjects of legislation to be brought forward.

**A Spanish Repulse in Cuba.**

HAVANA, Feb. 12.—Advices from Santa Clara say 800 cavalry and infantry under Col. Lopez started in pursuit of the insurgents under Sanchez and Mirable. The Spanish troops were lead into a position where they were in danger of being surrounded. They formed a hollow square which the insurgents attacked gallantly three separate times, but were finally repulsed. They retired, however, keeping up scattering fires severe enough to prevent the troops from following them.

**Politics in Pennsylvania.**

HARRISBURG, Pa., Feb. 12.—The Democratic state committee met here to day to arrange for the next state convention. The sentiment in the committee is overwhelmingly in favor of the nomination of ex-Governor Pattison for president at Chicago. A resolution endorsing his candidacy was unanimously adopted.

A CAMP of the Royal Neighbors is to be instituted in Kankakee.

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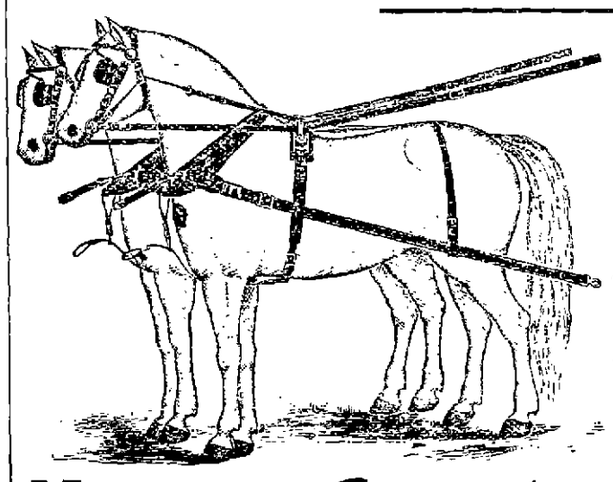

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